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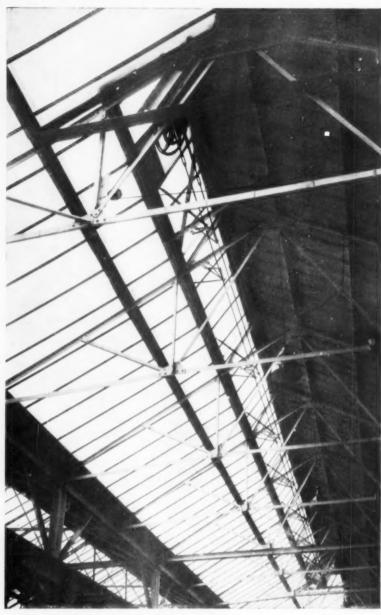
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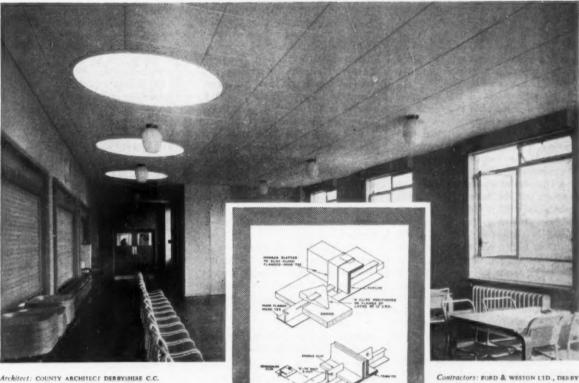
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### 'WALLSPAN' FOR NEW B.O.A.C. WING HANGAR

Both ends of this vast new maintenance hangar at London Airport are glazed by Williams & Williams—the 2-story central workshop block being emphasized by a panel of 'Wallspan' set in a projecting concrete frame. Aluminium windows are set in the 'Wallspan' grid and three types of opening lights—top-hung, projected, and vertical-pivoted are incorporated. The spandrel panels are Vitroslab.

The basic design is an interesting solution to a recurrent problem in the design of aeroplane hangars whose height, after allowing for high-level services, is dictated solely by the tail-fin height of the various aircraft to be accommodated. Airliner design in recent years has tended towards increasing tail. heights, and the hangar designer has been faced with a difficult economic problem since every foot of increased height is reflected in increased capital cost and higher heating, lighting and maintenance costs. Whatever height is decided upon may still prove inadequate for some new aircraft a few years hence. But on the other hand a reversal of the present trend-airliners designed on the Delta configuration for examplewould result in hangar height becoming so much wasted space.

The new B.O.A.C. Wing Hangar, as the name implies, is designed to accommodate only the wings and fuselage of the aircraft—the sliding doors are shaped to close around the rear fuselage leaving the tail unit outside. Engines, undercarriage, flight deck, passenger cabin, wing fuel tanks and wing control surfaces—the usual objects of routine maintenance—are all under cover.

The reinforced concrete structure consists of a pair of hangar pens, each with a completely unobstructed 565 ft. wide opening and depth of 110 ft. arranged back-to-back but separated by a central two-floor workshop block. The hangar pen roofs are suspended by ties from this central block.

#### 'ALOMEGA' WINDOWS FOR CORNISH COMFORT

This study flat is high up, midway between the coasts of Cornwall. The client wanted big windows for the

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Last (but not least in these Subtopian days), the sash window is considered in a special way to be the window for the West Country and 'Alomega' happily combines the technical resources of today with the graceful design of the eighteenth century.

A further advantage which was not applicable in this particular instance, but of considerable value in congested urban sites, is the fact that with 'Alomega' the building can come right up to the building line.

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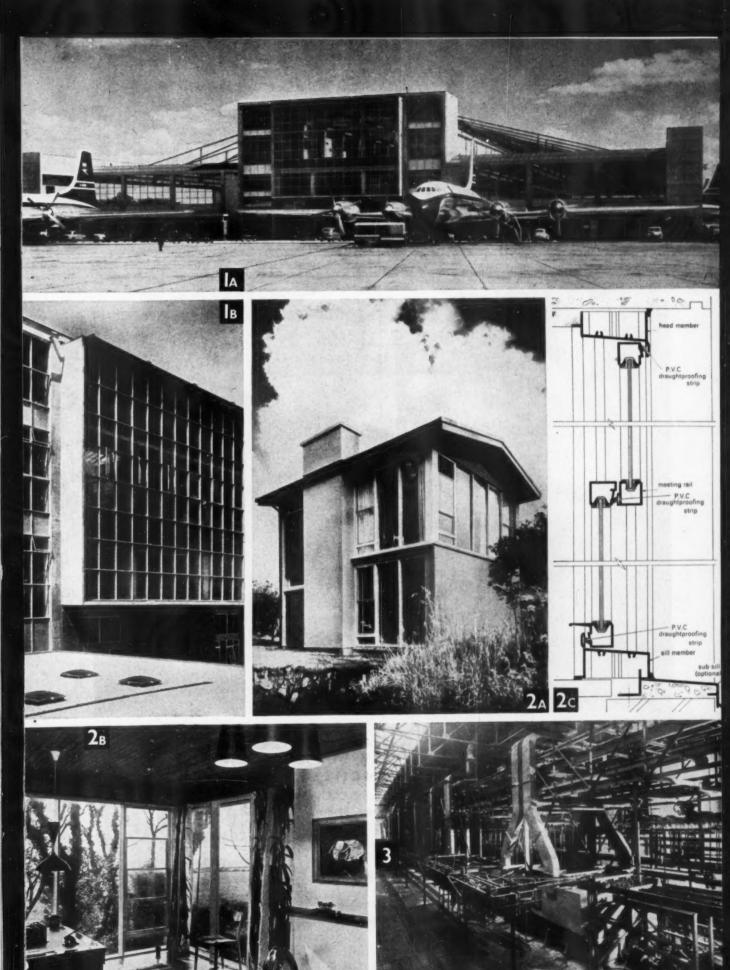
- A General view—note the tails of Britannia aircraft protruding from the hangar pen on the extreme right of the photograph.
- B Detail of the 'Wallspan' on the central workshop block—3 types of opening lights can be seen in the aluminium windows. Note the permanent railway along the cornice for the cleaners' cradle.

#### LITTLE TREFEWHA', PRAZE, CORNWALL Architects: Taylor & Crowther,

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A Exterior

- **B** Interior of the study showing how the 'Alomega' sash forms part of the glazed corner.
- C Draughtproofing plastic extrusions at head, meeting rail and sill of 'Alomega' double-hung window.
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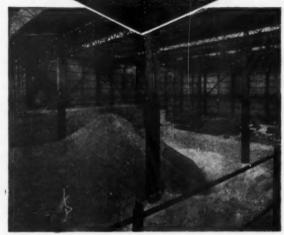
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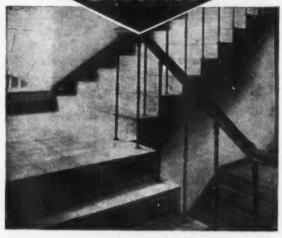
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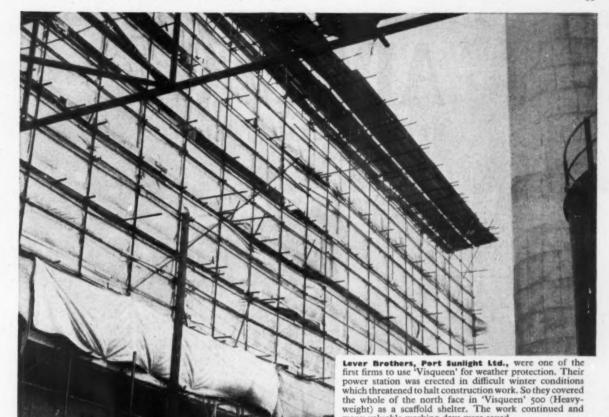


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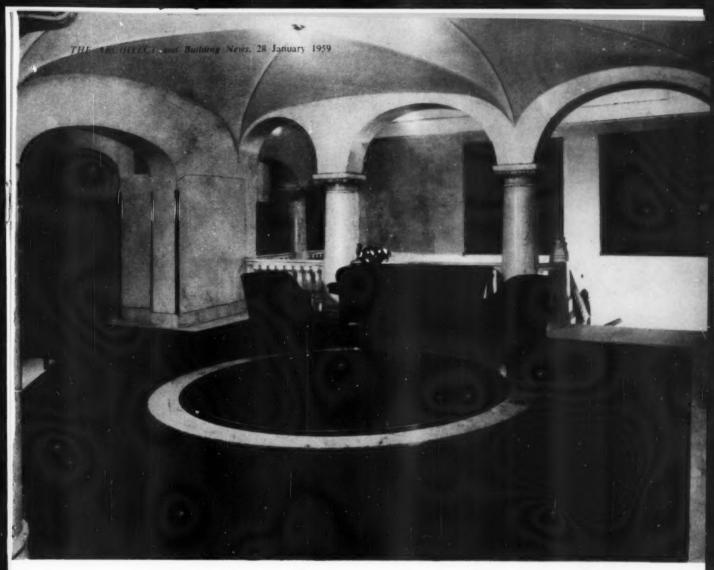
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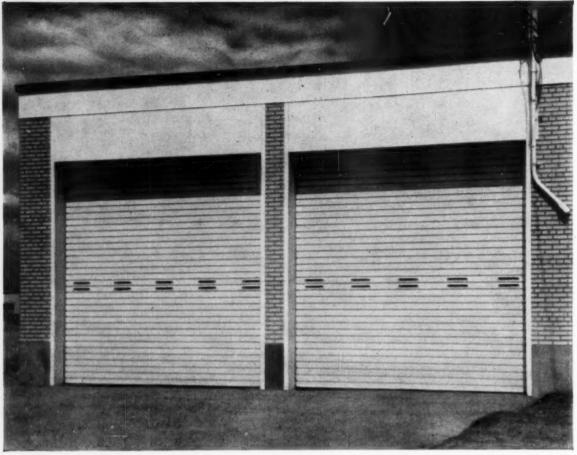
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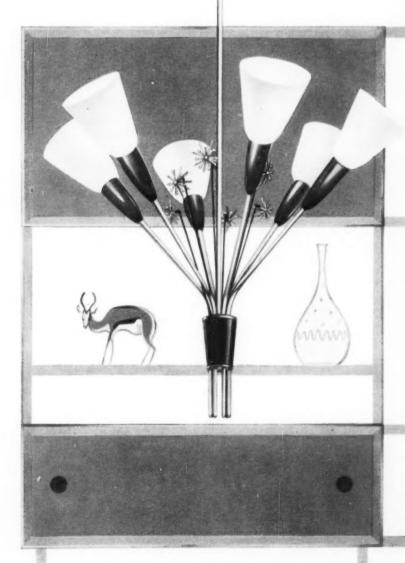
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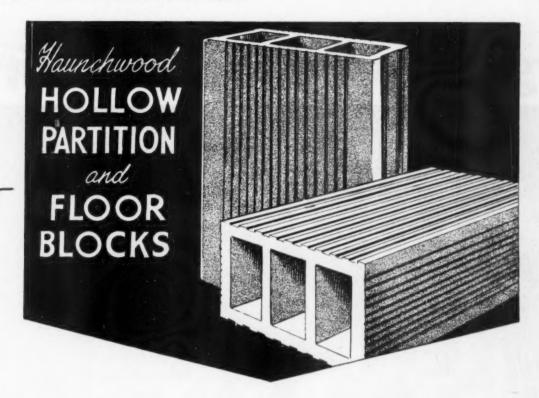
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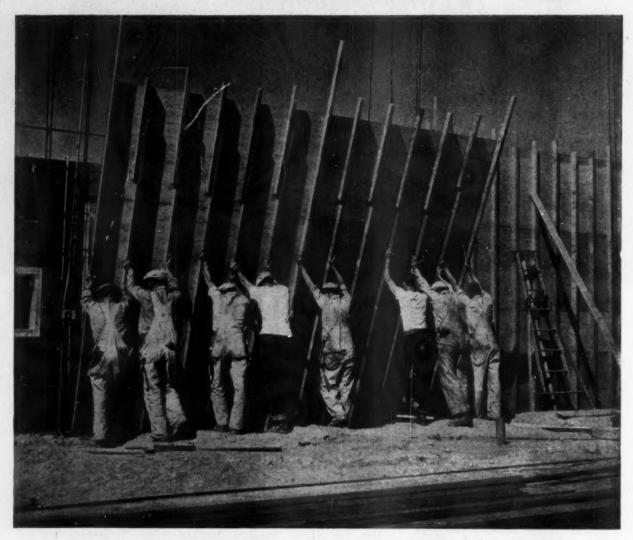
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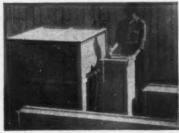
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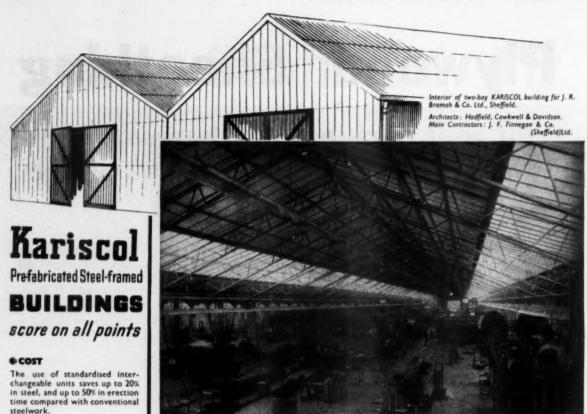
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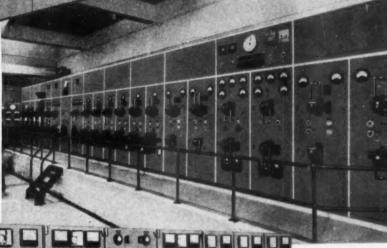
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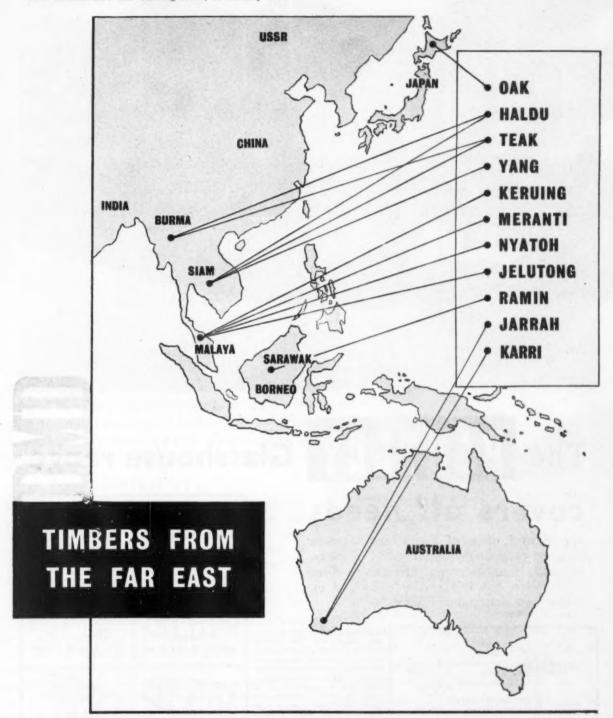
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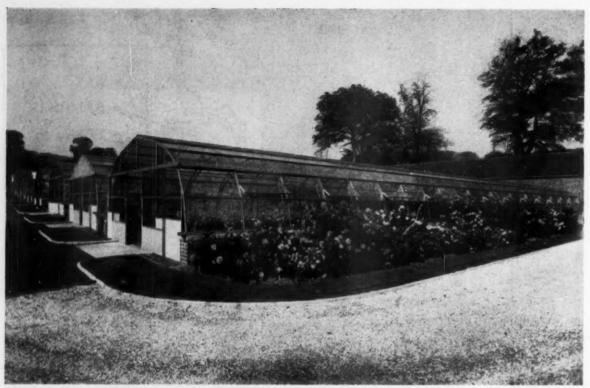


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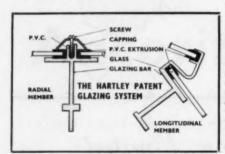


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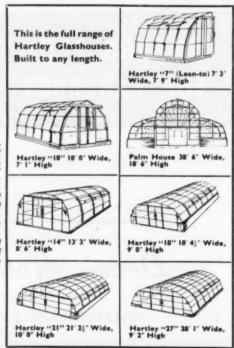


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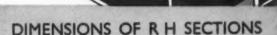
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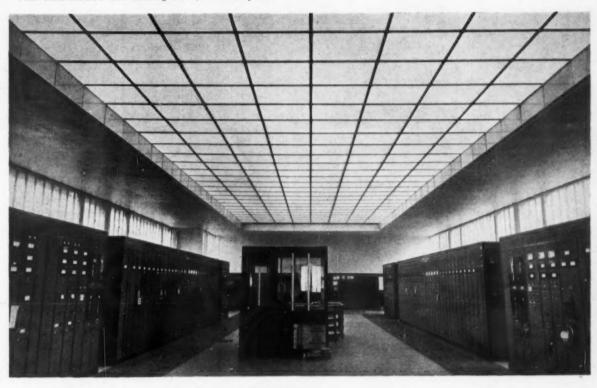


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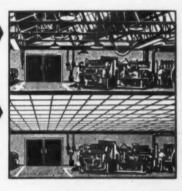
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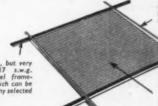
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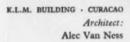
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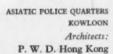


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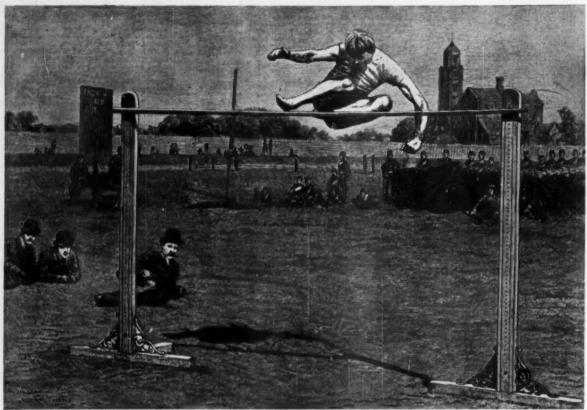
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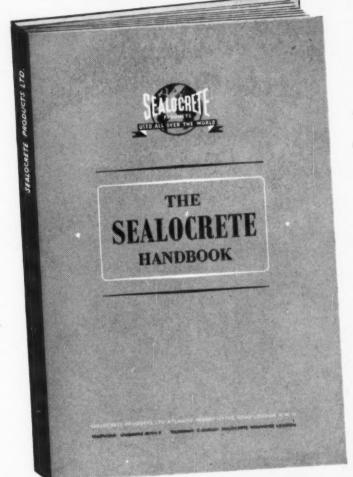
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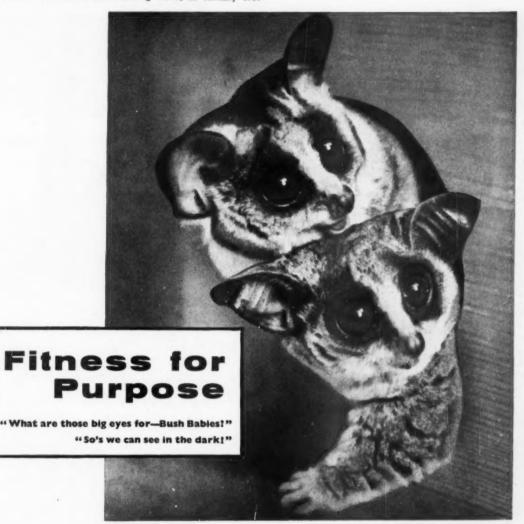
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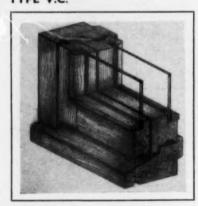
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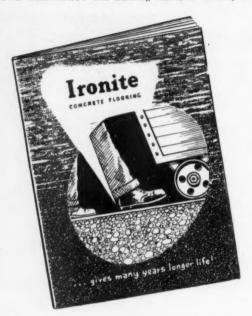


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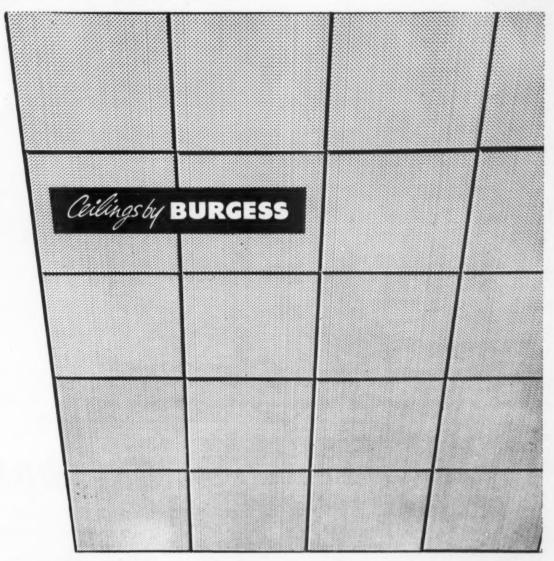
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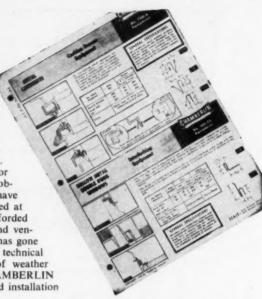
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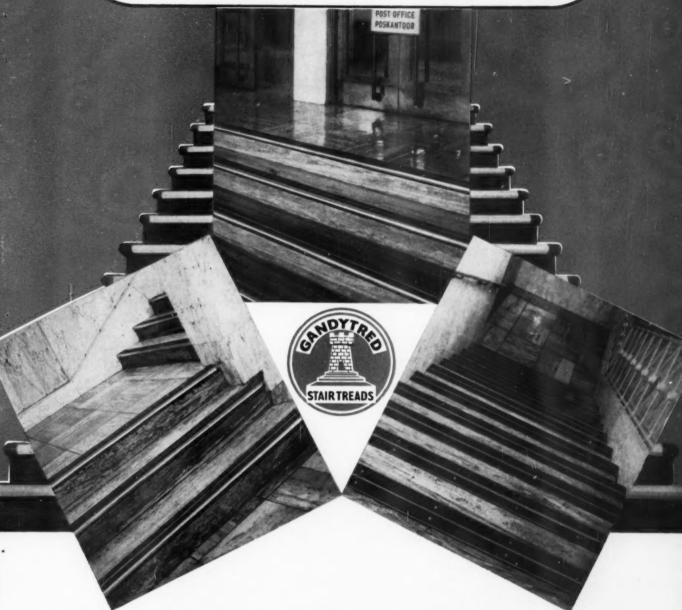
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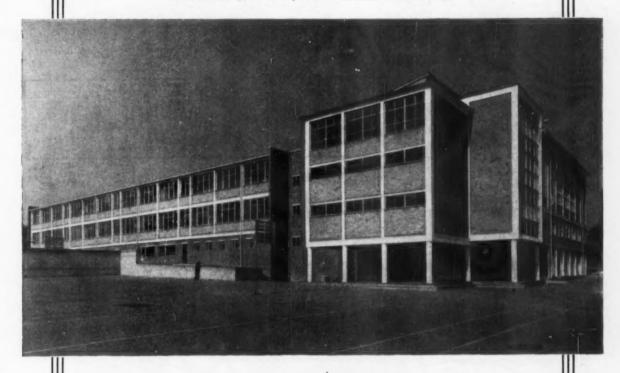
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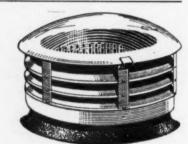
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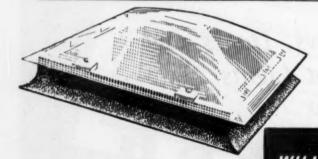
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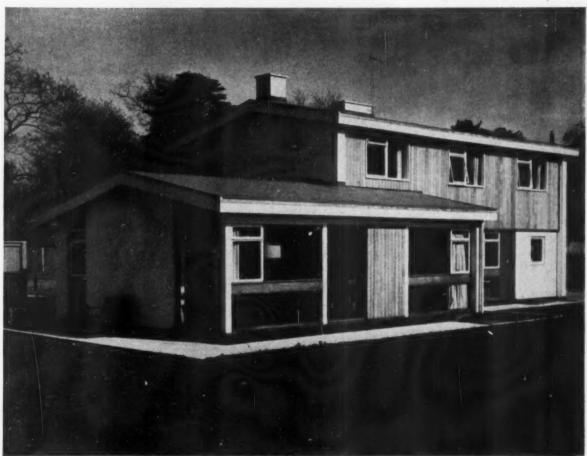
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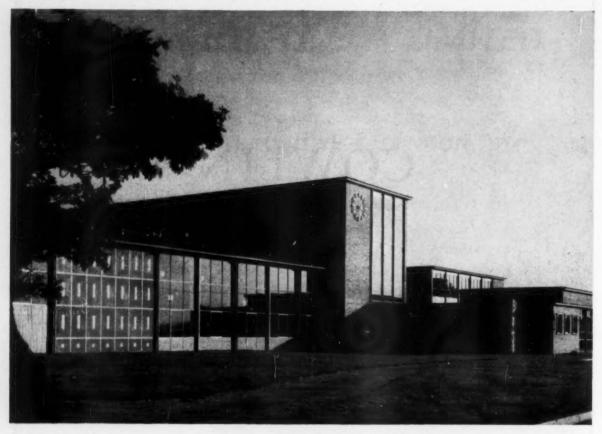
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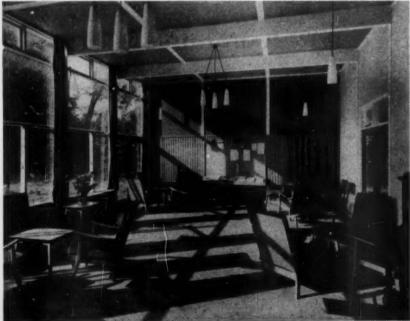
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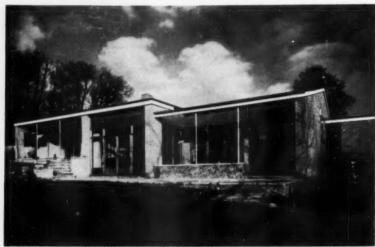
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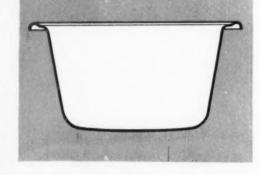
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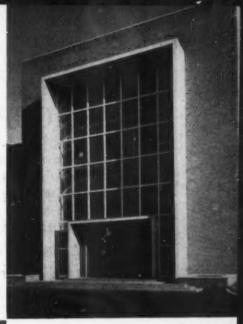
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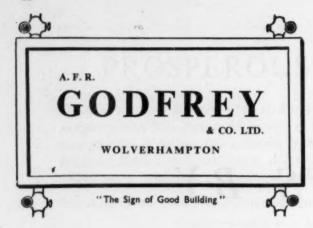
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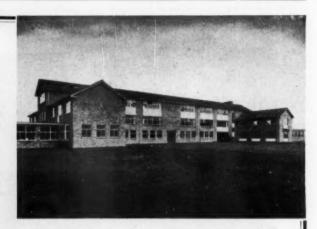
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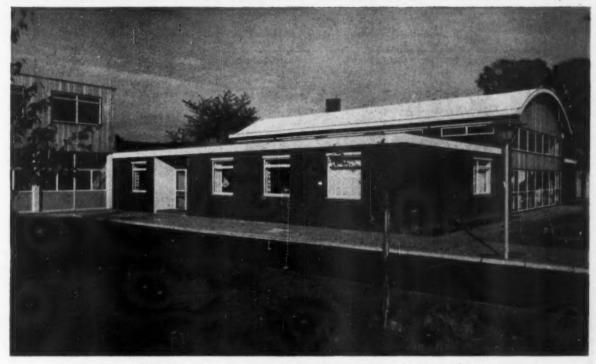
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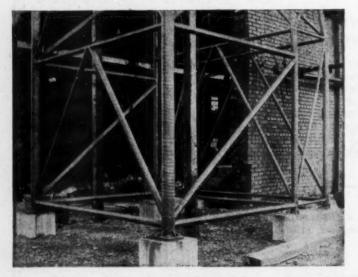








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### COLLABORATION

THE two papers, "The Architect and the Engineer" and "The Engineer and the Architect", discussed at a joint meeting of the Royal Institute of British Architects and the Institution of Civil Engineers last week, are to be published eventually with the written and oral discussions. The documents should provide a useful source of enlightenment on the business and problems of architect-engineer collaboration, and indirectly help to dispel the evil mist of underlying jealousy which sometimes mars relationships between the two professions in the administrative sphere.

Both authors\*, steering steadily along the technical paths of the two professions, agreed that design by committee was not practicable, that a master brain was necessary, sometimes architect, sometimes engineer. It did not matter which in borderline cases, provided the leader appreciated his own shortcomings. But, as Mr. Arup emphasized, the principle of undisputed leadership (by one or the other) should be adhered to.

There emerged, from these two papers, the impression of two distinct personalities, in fact, the original ones: the architect who thinks and is trained in the functional requirements of spatial relationships and aesthetic appearance; the engineer who is concerned with the predominantly structural problems and their economical solution, where the functional requirements are easily stated, as

with a bridge or dam. The fact that a bridge might be as aesthetically satisfying—or even more so—than a fine building was a tribute to the great qualities of its engineer designer; but that did not make him an architect; the same designer might be lost if he tried to solve a complicated spatial problem.

In the general run of larger building conceptions today, the links between structure, aesthetic design and the solution of the planning problem are more complicated than ever before. The architect often needs his technical advice on structure before he begins to work out his solution of the problem, and this, as Mr. Arup said, is one of the principle hazards in architect-engineer collaboration.

Should architects-to-be have more engineering training or should more architectural training be included in that of engineers? Mr. Arup, no doubt speaking from his own wide experience of architects, claimed much for the mutual understanding gained by firms or individuals who have worked together often. He suggested a foundation for such collaboration might be laid at school. Education would seem to be the answer. As in many other instances a more sympathetic understanding of the problems facing each member of the building team would be gained by all of them absorbing in the early stages of training the general principles which guide the work of each.

Respectively: E. D. Jefferiss Mathews, O.B.E., F.R.I.B.A., and Ove Arup, C.B.E., M.SC., M.I.C.E.

### **EVENTS AND COMMENTS**

#### THE M.O.W. WITH THE L.M.B.A.

The traditional pattern of the annual luncheon at which the London Master Builders' Association entertains either the M.o.H.L.G. or the M.o.W. was varied this year. The function has, in the past, been followed by the association's annual general meeting at which its new president and other officers are elected. This year the a.g.m. was held before the luncheon and the elections were carried out after it. This ensured a somewhat better attendance at both. In the past, members have tended to disappear with the Minister, giving a poor attendance for the president-making. I had pleasant conversations with my neighbours on a matter of some importance and perplexity to the three of us—the problem of teenage daughters. On one side I heard of the prefect who, without permission, had taken two white mice back to school and hidden them under her bed. The headmistress expected the parent to travel a hundred miles to fetch them, refused to have them put down, and sent them home by train. On the other side, there was the story of the girl who, overcome by tempta-tion at the sales, went back to school in distinctly non-regulation underwear, a terrible crime apparently, and one which was in no way mitigated by the fact that the regulation pattern had been left at home.

Mr. Stanley Farrow, whose cheerfulness alone throughout a difficult year would have made him a good president, added to his laurels in a first-rate speech of welcome to Mr. Molson. He spoke of the rigours of the credit squeeze and mentioned that there was some dissatisfaction over fixed-price contracts. He wanted more time to prepare jobs, and, while praising the Ministry of Works for its attitude to this request, he pointed out that other employing bodies were not so helpful. Mr. Farrow's strongest plea was for a shortening of tender lists—sometimes 25 or 30 firms were asked to tender. This, he said, was expensive and wasteful and the country could not afford it.

In reply, Mr. Molson justified the credit squeeze and described the country's state before and after that unpleasant constriction. He spoke of currently low contract prices, saying that he did not want these to be so low that they prevented the industry from being prosperous or hampered in its development. Reviewing building activity in London, Mr. Molson said that at the moment of speaking there was unstarted office building work amounting to £25 million in the hands of builders. On the question of planning in advance, he would speak to the M.o.H.L.G.; an answer about long-tender lists would be given in three to four weeks. On the subject of fixed-price contracts, he realized that it was harsh to expect firm prices to be quoted when fixed prices for materials could not be obtained. Things were, however, better than they were and materials prices were more or less stable. They had turned out better than he had feared and as good as he had expected.

Mr. Molson went on to speak of technical information services and the need for them to be organized on a national scale. The L.M.B.A. had its own special arrangement with the M.o.W. and, although at one time the Ministry had considered doing away with it, it had been decided to continue it. On the national scale he felt that architects, surveyors and builders should all take a share in the finance and control of a nation-wide service. He urged his listeners to visit the Building Centre, saying

that if they went there, and if, after seeing the great display of materials and equipment, they could say that they had learned nothing new, he would be very surprised. The Ministry would continue its present

information service for a year or two.

After the Minister had left, Mr. Ken Pearce, T.D., was elected and installed as president for 1959. He and Mr. Farrow had many wise things to say about each other. Mr. Pearce had a distinguished career in the T.A. He has been, since its inception, a great worker for the L.M.B.A. apprenticeship scheme and an enthusiast on everything to do with building education. Mr. Farrow's lasting memorials as president were, said Mr. Pearce, his work for accident prevention and the work study film on building shortly to be released. Mr. Farrow's vital statistics, 32-36-38, though showing him to be somewhat pear-shaped, are impressive. During his term of office he attended 32 official luncheons, 36 dinners and made 38 speeches, while his weight remained the same.

#### NEW WALLPAPER SHOWROOMS

The London office of the Wall Paper Manufacturers Ltd. has moved from High Holborn to 19-21 Mortimer Street, and is thus now in the wallpaper area, near Cole's, Line's and Sanderson's. The building has been remodelled inside by the Nicholson Brothers. The architects' department was opened by James Laver last week. Someone, said Mr. Laver, once said about him that he had had a brilliant military career, attaining the rank of second lieutenant, and had been in a museum ever since. The architects' department carries on the idea started in High Holborn. Architects, designers and their clients can see there those of the company's products which are of special interest to them. Two new collections by well-known designers, including Humphrey Spender and Edward Bawden, have been produced in addition to the well-known "Architects' Book of 100 Wallpapers". Some of these new designs are very large in scale and are screen printed with four-foot-six repeats. They are mainly geometrical in pattern and very lively indeed.

The Nicholsons have made a very good job of the showroom. The modular and movable screens are a development of those at the Design Centre and are arranged to accommodate all the necessary services in their frames. They are shortly to be made available commercially. The showrooms have a lush carpet in broad stripes of "mustard, chartreuse and green". My only complaint is my usual one. In a place where so much is bound to be going on—a mass of exciting wallpaper samples—the eye longs for a plain surface to rest on. There is none. The ceiling, which might have provided this respite, is in itself very interesting and decorative, consisting of a series of polished hardwood frames, criss-crossed to hold up movable panels

of painted hardboard.

#### ANCIENT BUILDINGS PROTECTION

The Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings has just published its report for the years 1952-1957. It is a beautifully printed volume, but for some reason which I cannot quite fathom it makes one rather cross. There is, it seems to me, a faintly "holier than thou" attitude in almost all of it. No one in their senses would deny that the S.P.A.B. does wonderful work on a pitifully small income. It fights long and often, losing battles for the buildings and other constructions which it befriends. Many of the case histories mentioned in the report are dramatic and make interesting reading.

Faced as the society so often is with ignorance, callousness and wanton destruction, it is perhaps hardly surprising that the tone of much of the writing is as from superior souls to the lower orders. That the repair and maintenance of old buildings is a specialized art no one will deny, but the report makes it appear as a form of magic that can only be practised by the special few. For example, the following advice is given on mortar for repointing:

"A good setting mix is best attained by using a coarse gritty sand rather than one with smooth rounded

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"Mortar must be used up within two hours of the addition of the cement.

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"Feather edging must be avoided and joints must be raked back deeply."

The only suitable comment to this is: My! My! you don't say!

#### LOOKING BACK ON THE BOAT SHOW

The Daily Express National Boat Show at Olympia (to be moved to Earls Court next year) fell neatly into four parts. At one end of the financial scale there were the huge motor gin-palaces, more and more American in appearance, with every modern convenience and a quite prodigious amount of windage. At the other end were the car-top dinghies and cances for those who like a little boating with their picnics. In between were the rich sailing cruisers—how anyone who is not in the business can afford to run them puzzles me—and the ever-increasing number of cars without wheels, propelled by inboard or outboard motors.

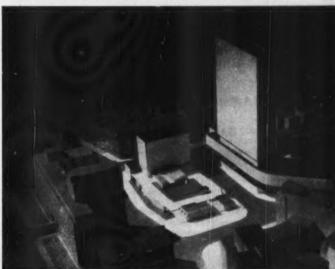
Traditional boat design has developed peacefully in its natural materials. It is rare to find an ugly traditional boat, but the experimenters and marine motorists have no difficulty at all in being hideous. The worst of American car-design could be seen in some of the fast, moulded-hull runabouts. I saw several with fins and one with winking direction indicators. I really do not know which part of the boating world I dislike more, the flash fast-mover or the yachtsman snob. I find myself in the latter category: old boat, old clothes, shun the clubs, shun the pubs, and cock a snook at all the pious rigmarole of the reefered white-tops. I have omitted the great navy of dinghy tracers and their many different rigs, enthusiasts to a man and snobs, too, in their own way. Ah, well!

#### A NEW BUILDING CENTRE SERVICE

The first of a series of Building Centre Illustrated Recorded Talks was shown to the press on Monday. The subject was the design and building of Coventry Cathedral, and the main speaker Basil Spence. Introducing this new venture, Eric Bird said that this talk was made under conditions which were far from ideal. The record had been taken from an edited tape of a lecture given some time ago at the Northern Polytechnic. Future talks should be technically better. Personally, I had little fault to find with this one. The Spence enthusiasm and sincerity came over well, and the reproduction of his drawings ranged from good to very good. Some of the photographs, however, might have been better. The idea is ingenious, yet simple. The record plays and gives a sound signal to the operator of a film strip projector. It is rather important that the operator does not miss the pips.

The Building Centre plans a series of technical talks of this kind, using top-ranking authorities as speakers.





Plans for the redevelopment of Knightsbridge at the junction of Sloane Street and Brompton Road were approved, as a basis for further discussion, by the London County Council on Tuesday, January 20. Guy Morgan and Partners are the architects for the scheme, the model of which is pictured above. The developers are the Capital and Counties Property Company, Limited

The next on the list is Edward Mills and William Allen, on "Curtain Walling". This will be ready soon. These talks will be available, free of charge, to allied societies of the R.I.B.A., surveyors', builders' organizations and architectural and building schools. It seems to me to be a first-class idea, for even if an impersonal record is not much of a substitute for flesh and blood, it will mean that the voices of the top men will be heard in all parts. Each talk lasts 40 minutes and should serve as an admirable introduction to discussion. Applications for, and inquiries about, the talks should be made to the Director, The Building Centre, Store Street, W.C.1. Room for more at the top.



The City of Bradford's development plan from south, looking across the resited Forster Square and down Cheapside. The Boulevard runs across the picture

### NEWS

### Town Roads Exhibition

The exhibition, "Town Roads for Today—and Tomorrow", will be opened in the Great Hall of the Institution of Civil Engineers tonight. It is the largest international exhibition of urban road schemes which has been staged and it aims to show that urban traffic congestion can be defeated without destroying city features. Showing times: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily (including Saturday) until February 7.

### L.M.B.A. Annual Report 1958

The past year had been generally successful for the London Master Builders' Association, it was reported by the association's council at the annual general meeting on Tuesday, January 20. In spite of uncertain and sometimes threatening political, economic and industrial conditions, the official figures showed that the total volume of work had not been seriously reduced, but the number of inquiries had fallen and competition had continued to be extremely keen

The subscription rate was to remain at 4s for each £100 wages paid—1s 7d to the National Federation and 2s 5d for general expenses of the association. The total of wage rolls for 1958 was £64,528,307; the membership figures at December 31 were: ordinary 1,132, associates, 132 benerary 3: information subscribers 186

132, honorary 3; information subscribers, 186.

The council commented that the practice of firm-price tendering had increased during the year. Members generally seemed to have accepted it as satisfactory in operation, but this only applied when government departments, other authorities and building owners generally provided the fullest documentation and details at the tender stage, in accordance with requirements publicized by the National Federation and the association. There was still considerable difficulty in persuading some authorities that this was the only efficient and economical way of contract building.

The increasing size of tender lists had caused much concern, and the association had made representations to specific authorities and had conducted an inquiry into the cost of preparing tenders. The results of the inquiry (among a cross-section of member firms) showed that the approximate cost of the preparation of tenders was about 1.5 per cent of the value of all work executed as a result of successful tenders.

#### Secondary School Building Programme

A five-year continuous school building programme (1960-65), to cost £300 million for major building jobs in England and Wales, is the most conspicuous feature of a White Paper by the Minister of Education, Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd. The White Paper ("Secondary Education for All. A New Drive." Cmnd. 604, 9d net) was presented to Parliament on December 3: the Commons debate began last Thursday. Together with a White Paper presented by the

Secretary of State for Scotland, Mr. John Maclay, for developments in Scotland, well over £400 million worth of work to improve Britain's schools is envisaged.

The plans for buildings are based on realistic calculations of what is practicable. The value of major projects, new schools and big improvements, to be started in 1960-61, will amount to £55 million, and in 1961-62, to about £60 million. The Government's decision to run the £300 million programme continuously for five years will enable local authorities and the churches to make their plans well in advance, and a circular has already been distributed telling them how to prepare and submit proposals for the first two years.

Secondary school buildings which are inadequate, overcrowded or out of date, will have to be replaced or reconstructed. Authorities will be asked to start with jobs which will most quickly improve the secondary schools' position in their areas, particularly in the scientific and technical sides of a proper secondary education.

In advance of the major building programme there will be an immediate increase in the value of "minor projects", which can be quickly planned, and the limit of cost for such projects will be raised from £10,000 to £20,000. This provides for modernization and making old primary schools as new. The Minister said in the Commons on Thursday, that "minor works" was a misnomer: the programme was of major importance, and at £17 million this programme figure would be 40 per cent more than that for the previous year, and, in fact, the highest ever. A £15 million building programme is already in hand to provide 12,000 additional places in the teachers' training colleges by 1962.

#### Birmingham wants Senior Architect

Birmingham has a vacancy for a senior architect to take control of the housing design section in the city architect's department. Mr. H. E. Buteux, who until recently held the position, has been appointed chief technical officer to the Scottish Special Housing Association. Full details appear in the advertisement columns this week.

#### Bradford's Urban Renewal

A £5 million, five-year development plan for the centre of the city of Bradford was announced last week by the joint collaborators in the scheme, the city of Bradford and the Hammerson Group of Companies, private developers. The architects are Clyde Young and Bernard Engle.

Bradford, unlike other cities and towns, did not have its centre devastated by bombing during the war, and, therefore, had to rely upon the enterprise of this private company for redevelopment. The city authorities and the developers have every reason for satisfaction. C. & A. Modes (80,000 sq ft), Boots the Chemist (30,000 sq ft) and W. H. Smith & Sons have already reserved large areas of the new development, and other multiple stores and local firms have shown interest.

When questioned "where is the money coming from?"

Mr. Sydney Mason, chairman of the Hammerson Group, replied that by building in phases the company hoped to meet these commitments from its own resources. He remarked: "We are in a position to offer a similar service to other towns with faith in their future". More pictures and plans will be published in a future issue.

### Hampstead Civic Centre

Details of the proposed Civic Centre for Hampstead Borough Council, designed by Basil Spence and Partners, were announced last week. Mr. Spence gave his comments on the general principles of the scheme at a press conference.

The site at Swiss Cottage, adjacent to the underground tube station, is regarded as being in a key position, a gateway to the City of London.

The estimated cost of the proposals is £2,000,000 and the accommodation consists of the civic suite and administration block (£600,000), two multi-purpose assembly halls (£400,000), swimming baths (£600,000), gymnasium and public library (£300,000). Car parking and exterior works will cost approximately £100,000.

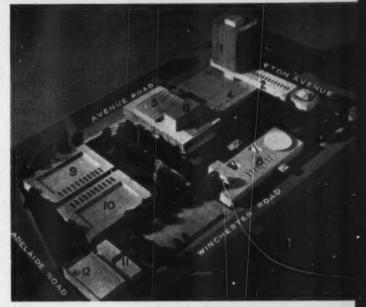
Mr. Spence mentioned two sources which influenced his design concept: first, the Scandinavian example of democratic approach in which the town hall is a welcome place and pleasant to walk through, does not present a "solidly forbidding front". Secondly, the remark Frank Lloyd Wright made on the Toronto competition, that "the starch should be taken out of Town Halls". In the design of the buildings, therefore, Mr. Spence has kept them fairly low and grouped around internal gardens. Vertical stress is gained solely by the tower block which contains administrative offices.

Low-level car parking is envisaged, underneath a square adjacent to the tower block. A district heating scheme will be incorporated, placed conveniently for supervision by the swimming bath engineer. Ove Arup, C.B.E., was appointed structural engineer, and Reynolds & Young were appointed quantity surveyors, to collaborate from the first stages of design. It is hoped that construction may commence early in 1960.

### Prestressed Concrete Group

The tenth annual general meeting of the Prestressed Concrete Development Group was held on January 15 at the Institution of Structural Engineers, when members and guests were given a talk on "The development of prestressed concrete in the United States", by Professor

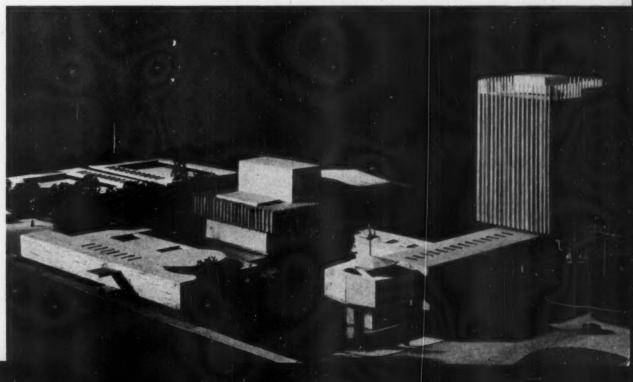
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Key to picture of model of Hampstead town hall scheme (above): I, office block with canteen on top floor; 2, committee rooms and town; clerk; 3, Council Chamber; 4, treasurer and registrar; 5, large hall; 6, stage tower; 7, small hall; 8, library; 9 and 10, swimming baths with learners' swimming bath between; 11, squash courts; 12, gymnasium. The lower picture shows the site

Below, a view of the model from the north. The library is a single-storey building with basement stacks and few windows. The mast on the model is a pin



#### NEWS CONTINUED

T. Y. Lin, Professor of Civil Engineering at the University of California, and a vice-president of the Fédéra-tion Internationale de la Précontrainte.

The results of elections to the council of the group were announced at the meeting, and the council for 1959 will be as follows: W. B. Sykes, president; C. W. Hamilton, vice-president; G. W. Kirkland, immediate past-president; F. M. Bowen, A. Goldstein, A. J. Harris, engineers; A. G. Jury, E. G. Dean, A. Kirkwood Dodds, architects; E. W. H. Gifford, R. F. T. Kingsbury, J. N. Lowe, specialist engineers; J. W. A. Ager, J. M. Fisher, R. B. Hill, contractors; J. Barratt, K. R. Danhof, A. G. W. Martin, products manufacturers; C. F. Brereton, K. G. Hann, A. E. Osborne, manufacturers of prestressing and reinforcing steel; A. W. Hill, chief technical officer; P. Gooding, secretary.

#### Liverpool Men to Dine in Town

The Liverpool School of Architecture Society will hold its first annual dinner since the war at the Hall of the Tailow Chandlers Company, 4 Dowgate Hill, Cannon Street, London, E.C.4, on Friday, February 6, at 7 for 7.30 p.m. Members and guests will be received by the 7.30 p.m. Members and guests will be received by the president, Professor Robert Gardner-Medwin, and Mrs. Gardner-Medwin. Old students are invited to join the society and attend the dinner. One guest each is permitted. Tickets are obtainable from the hon. secretary, Robert Shaw, 11 Billing Place, West Brompton, London, S.W.10. (Annual subscription, 10s; tickets, 2gn, including wines; dress, dinner jacket.)

### Annual Holidays Agreement

The annual holidays agreement, operated by the Holidays Management Company, has been amended. Clause 5 (d) now reads: "In cases where circumstances have prevented individual operatives from having the week or weeks of annual holiday within the summer period as defined, the holiday shall be granted before March 31 in the next succeeding year by mutual agreement between the employer and the operatives concerned." This clause only allowed for one week of holiday outside the summer period in its previous wording, whereas many workers wished to have both weeks in the winter. (The award of the Industrial Disputes Tribunal in 1957 prescribed that the two weeks of holiday must be granted in the

Also, instead of the second paragraph of Clause 8 (which prescribed March 31 as the last day for workers' direct applications to the Holiday Management Company), a applications to the Holiday Management Company, a paragraph is now added at the end of Clause 7, namely: "No claim by any operative for payment of holiday credits in respect of any holiday period shall be entertained after three months grace following March 31 in that period." These amendments were reported to the National Joint Council for the Building Industry on

January 14.

#### Parliament

#### Minister to Examine Building By-Laws

Members might have detected an echo of Mr. Nabarro's intervention in the committee stage of the Building (Scotland) Bill in a question addressed by Sir Alfred Bossom to the Minister of Housing and Local Government, Mr. Brooke. During the last Parliamentary session Mr. Nabarro was characteristically scornful of the discovery that under the new Scottish Bill Scotland was to have a single set of building by-laws, whilst England and Wales were to remain relatively unregulated. Sir Alfred asked the minister whether he would consider replacing the present system of 1,400 sets of locally made by-laws in England and Wales by a centrally made set of regulations.

Mr. Brooke was not entirely adamant in his answer, which seemed to indicate that he has taken the point. He said that this could not be done without legislation to amend the Public Health Acts, but agreed that it was right to consider whether or not such a change was desirable. He said that he would invite representatives of local authority associations, the London County Council, professional bodies and the building industry to consult with the Ministry in order to inform himself before making a decision. (January 21.)

#### Downing Street Plans Still Being Considered

Mr. Raymond Erith's plans for the reconstruction of Nos. 10, 11 and 12 Downing Street are still being considered by the Minister of Works. This was the import of a taciturn reply about them from Mr. Molson. Asked if he could give any date for a future statement, he answered, with equal concision, that he was not a prophet. (January 20.)

### Modification of Serieant-at-Arms' Residence

Mr. Molson, in a written answer, announced that the Government is to spend about £32,500 in modifying the Serjeant-at-Arms' residence in the Palace of Westminster. The money will be spent on adapting it to provide residences for the Serjeant-at-Arms and his deputy, and bedroom accommodation for about 20 or 30 members of the House of Commons staff. The work is to begin in March. (January 20.)

#### Coming Events

Royal Institute of British Architects

January 28 at 2.45 p.m. B.B.C. Television. "The House the Howells Built.

February 3 at 6 p.m. President's address to students. Criticism by Edward D. Mills and presentation of prizes. At 66 Portland Place, W.1.

Cement and Concrete Association

January 29 at 6 p.m. "Recent Developments in the Design of Shell Roofs", by J. D. Bennett, B.ENG. At the New School of Engineering, University of Bristol, Bristol.

The Illuminating Engineering Society

January 30 at 6 p.m. "Display Lighting for Shop Windows and Fashion Parades", by H. H. Ballin. At the Bennett Hall, Y.M.C.A., Birmingham.

Local Government Architects' Society

January 31 at 2.30 p.m. General meeting. At 66 Portland Place, W.1.

The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

February 2 at 5.45 p.m. "A Chartered Surveyor in Parliament", by Sir Colin Thornton-Kemsley, O.B.E., T.D., M.A., F.R.I.C.S., M.P. At 12 Great George Street, S.W.1.

Town and Country Planning Association

February 3 at 6 p.m. "Current Trends and Problems in American Town Planning", by Professor John Reps, Planning Department, Cornell University, U.S.A. At 28 King Street, Covent Garden, W.C.2.

Istituto Italiano di Cultura

February 4 at 6.30 p.m. "Problems of Italian Post-war Architecture", by Professor Bruno Zevi, Professor of Architecture at the University of Venice and Editor of L'Architettura. At 39 Belgrave Square, S.W.1.

Town Planning Institute

February 4 at 6 p.m. "The Tall Building in the Town", by Professor Sir William Holford, M.A., B.ARCH., F.R.I.B.A., F.L.L.A.(P.P.). At the Livingstone Hall, Broadway, S.W.1.



### **REVIEW OF THE YEAR-1958**

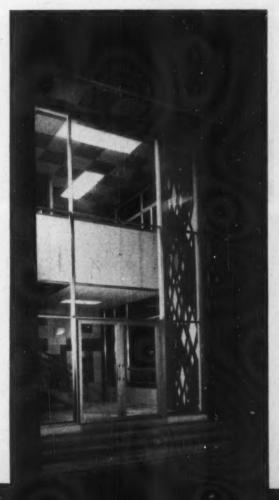
The year 1958 will be remembered for the many moons which, bleeping hopefully, circled the earth to celebrate the Geophysical Year. Man looked up, while eyeing his neighbour distrustfully, and wondered how far his domain could be extended into space.

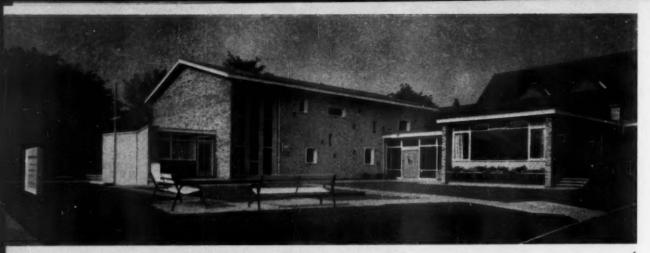
Here in Great Britain, like small boys sitting on the fence to see the rockets being let off next door, we had to be satisfied with wondrous watching. The Jodrell Bank radio telescope did this service admirably.

What then of Architecture? By sharpened comparison, the buildings around us seem to be the same old caves. In this New Year Issue we try, by virtue of large numbers, to give a Gallup Poll impression of progress or retrogression in the buildings going up on all sides. The reader is left to form his own opinion.

The new Royal Observatory at Herstmonceux (top) must approach most closely to the spirit of the year as its telescopes look up to the breathtaking order in the heavens; while the assembly by the Modular Society (below) "to test the use of the four inch module for determining the sizes of building components" brings us back to earth . . . and how do we find order in Architecture?

Above, the new Royal Observatory. Architect: Brian O'Rorke. Below, an experimental structure erected for the Modular Society on the Albert Embankment







#### **CHURCHES**

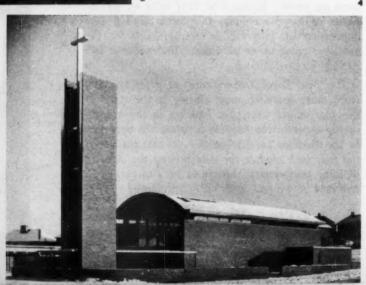
1. Methodist Church, Carlton, Nottinghamshire. Exterior cross is of aluminium, designed by Robert Adams, Architects: John Dudding & Partners. General contractors: Stokes Taylor & Shaw Ltd. Contract price: £16,000.

2. Church at Maryhill, Glasgow. An equilateral triangle representing the Holy Trinity is the design theme. A marble mosaic panel of the Madonna and Child is incorporated in the brickwork over the main entrance. Architect: Thomas S. Cordiner. General contractors: Angus MacDougall & Co. Ltd.

3. St. Hugh's Church, Leicester. The project comprises a vicarage and dual-purpose hall with tower and cloister. Architects: Basil Spence & Partners. General contractors: Frank Cooke (Builders) Ltd.

4. St. Paul's Church, Sheffield. The free-standing bell tower is connected to the church by a covered way which forms an entrance court. Architects: Basil Spence & Partners. General contracter: C. R. Price. Contract price: £23,687.





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5. The Mersey Mission to Seamen. Windows to the chapel on the first floor are double glazed acid etched; stained glass windows have been used inside. Architects: Willink & Dod. General contractors: Henry Boot & Sons Ltd. Approximate contract price: £100,000.

6. Roman Catholic Church of St. Catherine, Gracemount, Edinburgh. This building is an adaptation of a stock timber "all-purpose" hall of Kingston's and features glued laminated timber arches, 30ft span, 9ft to eaves, 23 ft to apex. Arches are of Columbian pine and pews are of parana pine. The exterior cladding is vertically-laid red meranti. Architect: Charles Gray. General contractors: Kingston (Architectural Craftsmen) Ltd. Contract price: £10,200.

7. St. Edmund's R.C. Church, Loughton. Entrance doors and those between narthex to nave are glazed in single panels giving a clear view of the interior from outside the church. Architects: Tooley & Foster. General contractors: W. & C. French Ltd. Contract price: £24,000.

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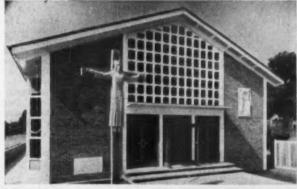
8. Central Synagogue, Great Portland Street, London. The interior is mainly plaster, the ceiling being coffered in gold, yellow and blue, and the walls decorated white. The pulpit is of rose-coloured marble on a foundation of black marble. It is dominated by three specially designed chandeliers of spun copper with silver bronze finish. Architects: C. Edmund Wilford & Son. General contractors: Tersons Ltd.

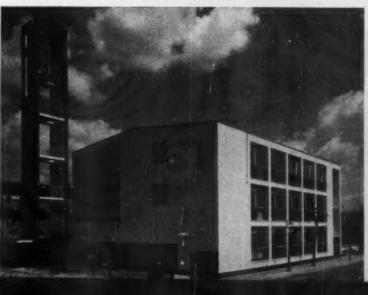
9. Finnish Seamen's Mission, Bermondsey, London. This building provides a meeting place and church for seamen and Finnish nationals. It was fully illustrated in A. & B.N., July 30, 1958. Architects: Yorke, Rosenberg & Mardall. General contractors: Rice & Sons Ltd.















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### HOMES AND HOSTELS

1. The students' hostel for Loughborough College of Technology is in timber Derwent construction. The whole scheme was completed in months. Designers: Architects' Department, Vic Hallam (Contractors) Ltd. General contractors: Vic Hallam (Contractors) Ltd.

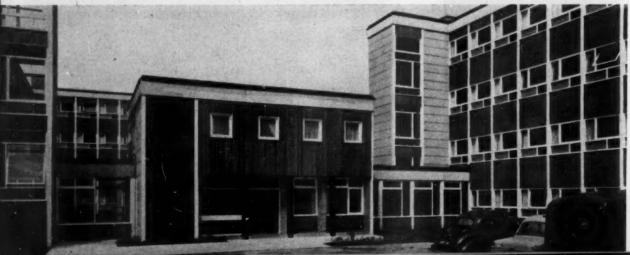
2. The first phase of the A.B.S. Homes at Frenchlands Hatch, Surrey, which was the subject of a competition, has been completed. The scheme was illustrated in A. & B.N., July 9, 1958. Architect: Clifford Culpin, General contractors: Carlton

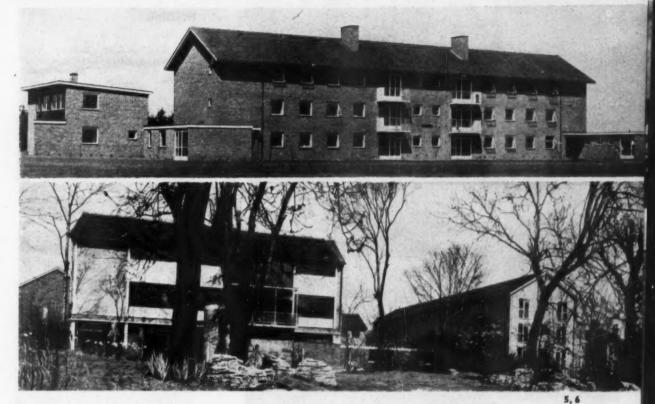
Contractors Ltd. Contract price: £20,493.

3 and 7. New additions to the Manor House Hall of Residence, University of Birmingham, provide a dining hall, common rooms, library, wardens' room and some study bedrooms. Architects: Holland W. Hobbiss & Partners. General contractors for alterations to existing house and additions to first wing: J. R. Deacon Ltd. Addition of second wing: W. T. Pickering (Builders and Contractors) Ltd. Total cost: £156,000.

4. The Manor Guildhouse at Coventry provides accommodation for 405 old people. The four-storey living blocks are designed to house 25 resi-









dents on each floor. City architect and planning officer: A. G. Ling. General contractors: Gilbert-Ash Ltd. Contract price: £250,000.

5. Accommodation for 60 students is provided in the new hostel for the Essex Institute of Agriculture, Writtle. The recreation/dining block has a span of 90ft by 30ft, giving a clear ceiling finish internally. Essex county architect: H. Conolly. General contractors: Arthur J. Arnold Ltd. Contract price: £89,000.

6. Single-men's residences at Canonbury, London. Open planning with a low building takes advantages of the existing landscaping. Chief architect and surveyor, New Scotland

Yard: J. Innes Elliott. General contractors: Rush & Tomkins Ltd. Contract price: £133,940.

8. This residential hostel at Bayswater Road, Headington, provides accommodation for 60 old people in single or double bedrooms. City architect and planning officer: E. G. Chandler. General contractors: Knowles & Son (Oxford) Ltd. Contract price: £55,000.

9. Roupell Court Old People's Home for 80 people for the L.C.C. is planned mainly as a single-storey building round two courtyards. Architect to the council: H. Bennett. General contractors: Bridge Walker Ltd. Contract price: £85,879.





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1. The Beckers, Rectory Road, Hackney, a mixed housing develop-ment scheme for the Hackney Recough Council Architect: Borough Council. Architect: Frederick Gibberd. General contractors: Hackney Borough Council.

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2. Another mixed development scheme, for Gloucester City Council. The photograph shows flats in Foun-tain Square. Gloucester Cathedral is to be seen in the background. The scheme includes maisonnettes and shops. City architect: J. V. Wall. General contractors: William Moss & Sons Ltd. Contract price £137,800.

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- 3. These flats in Lambeth are the first part of a major redevelopment to be undertaken by St. Thomas's Hospital. The scheme was fully illustrated in A. & B.N., September 17, 1958. Architect: Leslie G. Creed. General contractors: Wates Ltd. Contract price: £250,000.
- 4. These maisonnettes in Essex Street, Norwich, include seven threebedroom maisonnettes and five twobedroom maisonnettes. The crosswall construction is based on the Ministry of Housing and Local Government constructional details and specification memoranda. City architect: David Percival. Contractor: T. Gill & Son (Norwich) Ltd. Contract price: £22,187.
- 5. Six acres of back-land was developed for the Hawkesley Moat Farm Estate, Birmingham, which includes 96 flats in three eight-storey blocks and 12 old-people's bungalows. City architect: A. G. Sheppard Fidler, in association with K. W. Bland, architect for Wates Ltd. H. E. Buteux. senior architect (housing). General contractors: Wates Ltd. Contract contractors: Wates Ltd. price: £255,184.













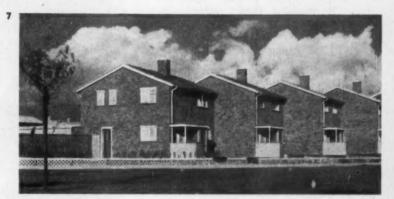
6. Housing for the Basildon Development Corporation at Vange "7". Architects: Basil Spence & Partners. General contractors: Leslie & Co. Ltd. Contract price: £597,682.

7. Loves Wood, Phases I and II, at Stevenage New Town, comprises 489 houses, two flats and 215 garages. Architect: Clifford Culpin. Contractor: Carlton Contractors Ltd. Contract price: £960,000.

8. These four houses at Rectory Lane, Stevenage, are built on a common plan with variations. Architects: Stirling and Margaret Craig. General contractor: H. McRobbie.

9. Nos. 7A and 7B Fryerns Housing Area comprise 486 dwellings and 113 garages. Basildon Development Corporation chief architect/planner: A. B. Davies. General contractors: J. B. Rose & Co. Ltd. Total contract price: £837,518.

10. Easthampstead Neighbourhood Housing for Bracknell Development Corporation. Chief architect: E. A. Ferriby. Contractor: Y. J. Lovell & Son Ltd. Contract price: £586,091.









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11. This four-storey block of 16 flats at Globe Place, Norwich, consists of eight bed-sitting room flats and eight one-bed flats. City architect: David Percival. Contractor: W. F. Pointer & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £17,906.

12. This seven-storey block of flats at Eastbourne is built on the site of the Park Gates Hotel, which was destroyed during the war. This scheme was fully illustrated in A. & B.N., October 8, 1958. Architect: H. Hubbard Ford. General contractors: C. F. Kearley Ltd.

13. Regent Court, multi-storey flats, Gateshead, includes 160 dwellings. Borough engineer and surveyor and town planning officer: G. F. Winters. Contractor: George Wimpey & Co. Ltd. Contract price: £373,310.

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14. Dale Street is the first redevelopment of a central area in Wolverhampton to be undertaken by the corporation since the war, and it is the first all-electric scheme of its kind in the borough. Borough engineer: H. Schofield. Contractor: A. F. R. Godfrey & Co. Ltd. Contract price: £430,000.

15. The work on the Lansdowne Green Estate, Lambeth, was split into three contracts to allow for progressive rehousing of people already living on the site and 681 flats have been completed. Architects: Arthur W. Kenyon & Partners. General contractors for contracts 1 and 2: Rice & Sons Ltd. Contract 3: Tersons Ltd. Contract price: £1,525,395.





















16. Block of 12 three-bedroom flats at Lisson Grove, N.W.8, for the St. Marylebone Borough Council. Load-bearing brick construction. Architects: Edward Armstrong & Frederick McManus. General contractors: A. T. Chown & Co, Ltd. Contract price: £32,609.

17. Dale House, N.W.8, is a fourstorey building for the St. Marylebone Borough Council, comprising 36 two-bedroom and three-bedroom superimposed maisonnettes. Architects: Edward Armstrong & Frederick McManus. General contractors: W. J. Simms, Sons & Cooke Ltd. Contract price £82,600.

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18. Block of 24 maisonnettes, Military Road, Canterbury, comprising 16 five-person units and eight four-person units. City architect and planning officer: John L. Berbiers. General contractors: Hawkes Construction Ltd. Contract price: £32,400.

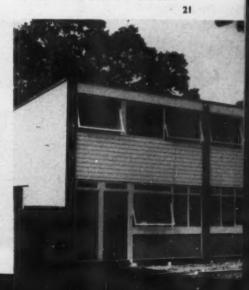
19. Flats at Vauxhall Court, Plymouth. They have a view south across the harbour and are of loadbearing brickwork with reinforced concrete floors. City architect: H. J. W. Stirling. General contractors: J. Kerswill & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £46,000.

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20. The layout of Barstaple—Long Riding, Stage II scheme is one where all houses are on a residential spine road and bus route leading to the town centre. Basildon Development Corporation chief architect/planner. A. B. Davies. General contractor: F. H. Hodgson & Son Ltd. Contract price: £72,600.

21. A terrace of eleven two- and three-bedroom houses at Forest Hill, S.E.26 Construction is of load-bearing brick wall with panels of timber construction front and back. Architects: Andrews, Emmerson, Keable & Sherlock. General contractors: A. T. Chown & Co. Ltd.



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22. Hutchesontown / Gorbass Redevelopment, Glasgow. The first part of this scheme consists of one-apartment flatlets for single persons and three- and four-apartment flats and maisonnettes. These 96 dwellings were designed by the city architectural and planning department, under the direction of A. G. Jury, Glasgow city architect. General contractors: The Corporation's Housing and Works Department. Contract price: £210,600.

23. Clock House, Wood Street, London, E.17. Architects: F. G. Southgate, borough architect, engineer and surveyor. General contractors: Seivad Ltd. Contract price £60,368.

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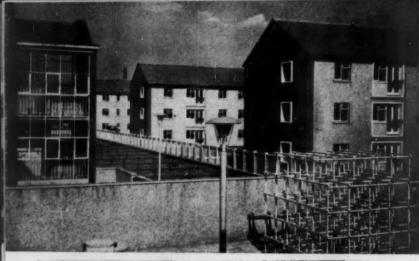
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24. Three-storey flats and maison-24. Three-storey flats and maison-nettes at 158-180 Fennycroft Road, Hemel Hempstead. Designed by H. Kellett Ablett, chief architect to the Hemel Hempstead Development Corporation. General contractors: Leslie & Co. Ltd.

25. Eight flats at Netherwood Road, London, W.6. This is one of the many infilling schemes carried out in the borough. Flats have two bed-rooms and a large living room. Architects: Hammett & Norton. General contractors: Hammersmith Borough Council. Contract price: £18,000.

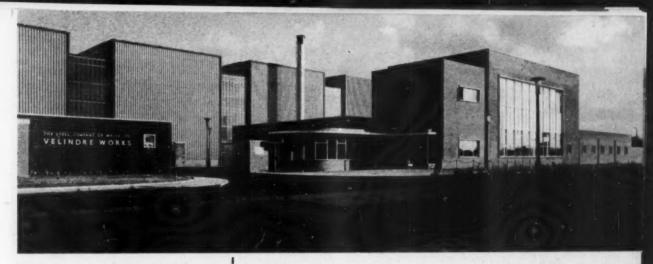
26. Forty-five flats and maisonnettes, Heartsease Estate, Norwich. Scheme comprises three blocks of ten and one block of 15 flats and maisonnettes. Designed by: David Percival, city architect. General contractors: R. G. Carter Ltd. Contract price: £68,436.











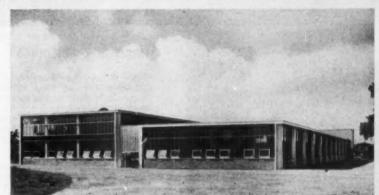
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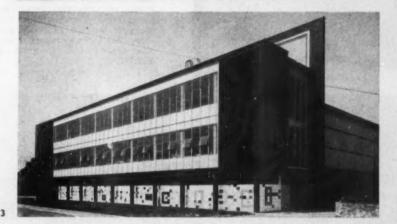
1. New administration offices for the Velindre Works of the Steel Company of Wales Ltd., Tinplate Division. Architects: Sir Percy Thomas & Son. General contractors: R. M. Douglas (Contractors) Ltd.

2. Pharmaceutical production laboratories for CIBA Laboratories Ltd., Horsham. This building, together with a boiler house, forms the first stage of an expansion programme. Architect: E. D. Jefferiss Mathews, of J. Douglass Mathews & Partners. General contractors: John Laing & Son Ltd. Contract price: £150,000.

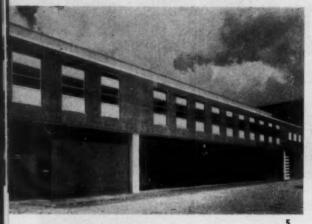
3. Factory for Leisure Kitchen Equipment Ltd., Nottingham. This new plant is capable of producing 10,000 sinks and 2,000 metal cabinet units every week. Architect: J. W. Wilcox. General contractors: F. Perks & Son Ltd. Contract price (including equipment): £207,530.

4. Factory for Aspro-Nicholas Ltd., Slough. This building comprises two main units, one for administrative facilities and the other a production and warehouse area. Architect: E. D. Jefferiss Mathews, of J. Douglass Mathews & Partners. General contractors: W. & C. French Ltd. Contract price: £1,065,000.











### INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS

5. A new warehouse for T. & W. Farmiloe Ltd. at Nine Elms Lane, Battersea; linked to the existing production buildings and original ware-house. Architects: J. M. Austin-Smith & Partners. General contractors: Howard Farrow Ltd. Contract price: £135,254.

6. These new buildings for B.V.B. Appliance Co. Ltd. comprise a singlestorey factory and a two-storey office block and canteen, shown in this photograph. Architects: Surman, Kelly & Surman. General contractors: W. T. Pickering (Builders and Contractors) Ltd. Contract price: £22,196.

7. A conversion of Station Road Garage, Maidstone into a printing works for the Kent Messenger. Architect: Clifford Worthington. General contractors: H. Goodsell & Son Ltd. Contract price: £32,000.

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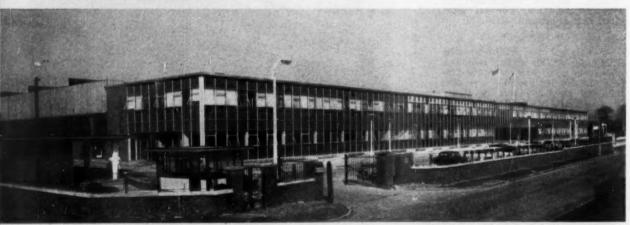
8. Spare parts and Accessories Division at Aveley, Essex, for the Ford Motor Co. Ltd. Construction is of steel northlight frame with protected metal roofing. Architects: E. R. Collister and Associates. General contractors: James Crosby & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £1,008,319.

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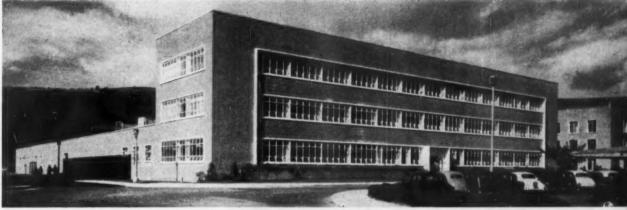
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9. Factory for William R. Warner Ltd. at Eastleigh, Hants, of pre-stressed, pre-cast R.C. frame, brick

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walls and concrete floors. Architects: Edward D. Mills & Partners. Contractors: Holland & Hannen and Cubitts Ltd.

10. British Nylon Spinners Ltd., Pontypool. The building consists of a block of offices in front; and at the rear a small factory for experimental work. Architects: Sir Percy Thomas & Son. General contractors: Sir Robert McAlpine & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £650,000.

11. Factory for Broads Manufacturing Co. Ltd. in the Western Industrial area at Bracknell New Town. Chief architect to the Development Corporation: E. A. Ferriby.

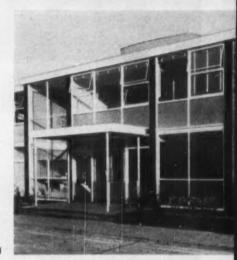
General contractors: Boyd & Murley Ltd. Contract price: £81,000.

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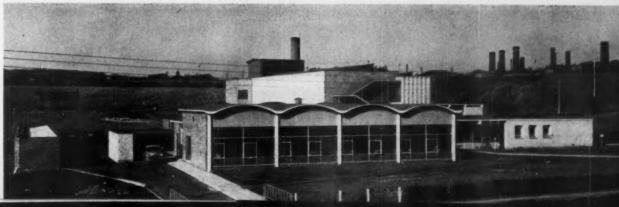
12. A new bath plant for Bilston Foundries Ltd. at Batman's Hill is believed to be the only bath foundry built as a completely new building. Civil engineering: Sir Alfred McAlpine & Son Ltd.

13. Pithead baths at Pye Hill Colliery, Notts, containing showers, lockers, lamproom, canteen and medical treatment centre. They cater for 1,332 miners. Architects: Elie Mayorcas in collaboration with H. S. Barnett, divisional architect, National Coal Board, East Midland Division. General contractors: M. J. Gleeson. Contract price: £102,395.









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15. New engineering training college for the British Tabulating Machine Co. Ltd., at Letchworth. Architects: Hugh D. Roberts. General contractors: D. Davies & Son.

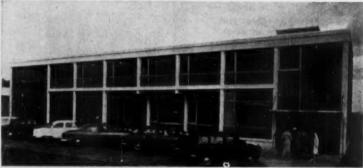
16. Desk House, a new factory for Carson Bros. (Productions) Ltd., at Basildon. Special precautions were necessary in the construction of this building to prevent the spread of noise in the timber mill. A high standard of office accommodation has been provided as it will serve as showrooms for the company's products. Architects: E. R. Collister & Associates. General contractors: Hosking & Son (Essex) Ltd.

17. A canteen and large dining room for Tube Investments Research Laboratories, at Hinxton, has been built on the south side of a corridor joining the new laboratory to Hinxton Hall. The building has a steel trussed roof with slate covering. Architects: Hughes & Bicknell. General contractors: William Sindall Ltd., Cambridge, Contract price: £23,500.

18. These new workshops in Mark Road, Hemel Hempstead, are part of the developments in the industrial part of this new town. Chief architect to the Development Corporation: H. Kellett Ablett. General contractors: Leslie & Co. Ltd.











### **OFFICES**

1. Bowater House is the new London headquarters of the Bowater Paper Corporation Ltd. Its 17-storey tower is, at the moment, the highest London office in use. A dual carriageway road connecting Knightsbridge with Hyde Park runs through the centre of the building. Architects: Guy Morgan & Partners. General contractors: Taylor Woodrow Construction Ltd.

2. New offices for William Mallinson & Sons Ltd. Being hardwood and veneer merchants, the owners required timber to play a prominent part in the finish of this building, both internally and externally. The cladding panels consist of a mahogany veneer, bonded by special adhesives to pressed steel sheets. Architect: E. D. Jefferiss Mathews, of J. Douglass Mathews & Partners. General contractors: Ashby & Horner Ltd. Contract price: £85,000.

3. Hancock House, Vincent Square, S.W.1, is a block of four floors of offices with a basement car-park and flat roof. The structure is R.C. frame with load-bearing brick external walls above ground level. Architect: Federick Gibberd. General contractors: Taylor Woodrow Construction Ltd.

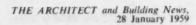
4. This "L" shaped seven-storey building is for the head office of the Nestle Co. Ltd., in the City of London. The frame is of reinforced concrete and the facing is Portland stone and polished Cornish granite with red granite to the main entrance. Architects: T. P. Bennett & Son. General contractor: Sir Robert McAlpine & Sons Ltd.





















### OFFICE BUILDINGS

This section includes examples of banks, commercial offices and new office buildings. The majority are works of reconstruction.

1. This new Barclays Bank in Mount Street, Mayfair, is a conversion of existing premises by Clifford Culpin. General contractors: Russell Brothers (Paddington) Limited. Contract price: £7,000.

2. This is another conversion job, in this case to provide administration premises for Moons Motors Ltd., in Davies Street, W.1. Designer: Geofrey Salmon, of J. M. Austin-Smith & Partners. General contractors: Holloway Bros. Ltd. Contract price £8,970.

3. A similar reconstruction job to provide director's office for William Perring, Kensington. Architect: Brian Peake. General contractors: A. E. Franks. Contract price: £1,000,

4. The Abbey National Building Society reconstructed these premises to provide two upper floors as lettable commercial offices. The society occupies the ground floor and basement. Architects: Ronald Ward & Partners. General contractors: H. Fairweather & Co. Ltd. Contract price: £58,000.

5. These are new drawing offices and studios for Hunting Aerosurveys Ltd., Boreham Wood, Herts. The design was a development from the clients' original brief, to erect three









standard huts. Architects: J. M. Austin-Smith & Partners. General contractors: David Chaston Ltd. Contract price: £32,710.

6. National Provincial Bank at St. Andrews Cross, Plymouth. The building comprises five main floors with two sets of mezzanine floors at each end. The first floor, second mezzanine and the second floor have been let as office space. The third floor contains two three-bedroom flats for occupa-tion by bank staff. Architect: B. C. Sherren. General contractors: Humphreys Ltd.

Two extra floors have been added to the head offices of Thomas Cook & Son Ltd., Berkeley Street, London. The extensions were provided for when the building was designed by the late Arnold Mitchell, 30 years ago. Architect: Samuel A. S., Yeo. General contractors: Higgs & Hill Ltd.

8. Another reconstruction for the Abbey National Building Society, for their branch at Harrow. Again the upper two floors are let as commercial offices. The lower floors are used by the building society. Architects: Ronald Ward & Partners. General contractors: H. Fairweather & Co. Ltd. Contract price: £63,000.

9. Taylor Woodrow's new offices on Western Avenue. The top floor contains directors' dining suite and two large flats. Architects: T. P. Bennett & Son. General contractors: Taylor Woodrow Construction Ltd. + + +

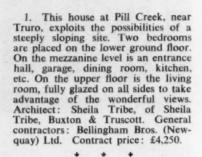
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10. The Halifax Building Society's reconstruction of their branch office at Huddersfield. The photograph shows a view of the banking hall. Architects: Abbey & Hanson. General contractors: L. & W. Morrell Ltd. Contract price: £46,000.





### PRIVATE HOUSES



2. House at Edgbaston, Birmingham. The accommodation was planned for a family of six with grandparents in a self-contained flat. As in the last house, a slope was used for garage at a lower level and owners' suite at mezzanine level. Architects: Norrish & Stainton. General contractors: James Miller & Partners Ltd. Contract price: £12,744.

3. Again levels have been used in the planning of this house at Berkhamsted, Herts. Main living accommodation is on the first floor, front entrance at mezzanine (road level), guest bedroom and bathroom, boilerroom and workshop on the ground (garden) level. Architects: Peter Dunham, Widdup & Harrison. General contractors: Donald Lockhart Ltd. Contract price: £9,728.

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4. House at Carylon Bay, St. Austell. Accommodation is three bedrooms, separate bathroom and w.c., lounge, dining-kitchen, fuel store and double garage. Architects: Buxton & Truscott, General contractors: S. R. & A. Nile Ltd. Contract price: £3,500.

5. House at Hitchin, Herts. The client's requirement was for a house with a large living area on the first floor in order to take advantage of a distant view. The living room has been arranged in the roof space provided by a 45 deg pitch. Architects: Peter Dunham, Widdup & Harrison. General contractors: Webster &

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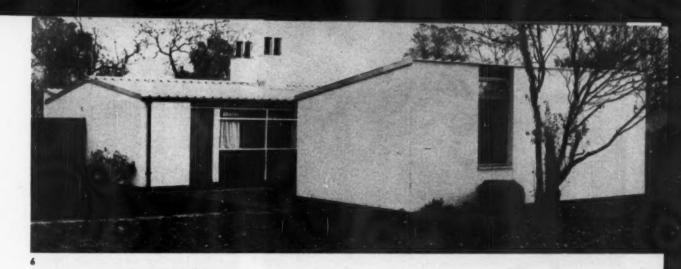












Stonehouse Ltd. Contract price: £5,000.

6. Cottages for Kings College, Cambridge, in the centre of Grant-chester village. They are used by stockman and another farm worker who both need to live close to the adjoining farm which belongs to the college. The one-storied courtyard plan has answered the problem of economy and individual privacy. Architects: Architects Co-Partnership. General contractors: Rattee & Kett Ltd. Contract price: £2,500 each.

7. House at Blackheath. This was designed by the architect, Peter Moro, for himself. The principal living accommodation is on the upper level, the ground floor containing spare rooms, workshop, garage and second bathroom. General contractors: Leslie Bilsby Ltd.

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8. House at Weybridge. This house has an extremely spacious plan. It was fully illustrated in A. & B.N., September 10, 1958. Architect: Leslie Gooday. Contractors: H. W. H. Hodgkins and C. M. M. Sutherland.

9. The same architect also designed this house at Ham Common. The accommodation is planned round an entrance courtyard. The house was illustrated in the same issue as the one above. Architect: Leslie Gooday. General contractors: W. Hillier & Son Ltd.







### **PUBLIC BUILDINGS**

- 1. New branch library, Horsham, for West Sussex County Council. The ground floor contains adult lending library, children's library, heating chamber, etc. Reference library and reading rooms and offices, book store, staff room are on the first floor.

  County architect: F. R. Steele.

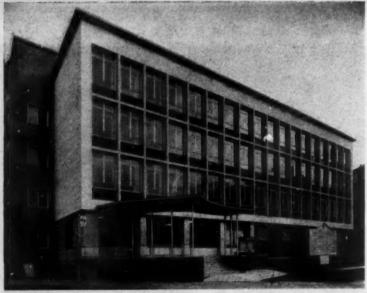
  General contractors: Y. J. Lovell & Son Ltd. Contract price: £26,570 (including furniture).
- Brixton Police Station. This new building also houses the district headquarters and divisional offices. Chief architect and surveyor, New Scotland Yard: J. Innes Elliott. General con-tractors: Y. J. Lovell & Son Ltd. Contract sum: £190,000.
- 3. This view shows police residences at Lower Green West, Mitcham, Surrey. There once stood on this site two of the earliest brick cottages ever built in England; one was occupied by the village beadle. Architect: J. Innes Elliott, chief architect and surveyor, New Scotland Yard. General contractors: Kind & Co. (Builders) Ltd. Approximate contract of the tract price: £48,000.
- 4. Police garage and stores, Birmingham, for the City Council. Architects: Leonard J. Multon & Partner in association with A. G. Sheppard Fidler, Birmingham city architect. Main contractors: Parsons & Morrin Ltd. Contract price: £164,997.

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5. The restored Feeney Galleries of Birmingham's Museum and Art Gallery. The suspended Velarium, based on B.R.S. recommendations, directs highest level of illumination on the picture plane at eye level. City architect: A. G. Sheppard Fidler. Deputy city architect: J. R. Sheridan-Shedden. General contractors: C. Bryant & Son Ltd. Accepted tender: £162,685.









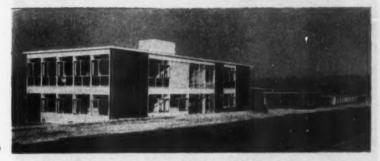






- 6. The new City and Guilds of London Institute headquarters in Portland Place. Architects: Howard V. Lobb & Partners. General contractors: Holliday & Greenwood Ltd. Approximate cost: £260,000.
- 7. New Head Post Office, Harlow New Town. The ground floor is used for the public office, with its ancillary accommodation such as accounts and balancing rooms, etc. Administrative offices on the first floor. Staff rooms, including canteen, on the top floor. The building was designed by T. F. Winterburn, senior architect, Ministry of Works. General contractors: Thomas Bates & Sons Ltd., Romford, Essex.
- 8. Another new Head Post Office at Berkhamsted, Herts. The accommodation is arranged on similar lines to the post office just mentioned. The same architect designed the building for the Ministry of Works. General contractor: Sir Lindsay Parkinson & Co. Ltd.
- 9. The County Supplies Departments and Fire Headquarters, Arnold, Notts. These are the first noneducational buildings to be built using the Consortium of Local Authorities Special Projects System. The picture also shows the two-storey county fire service headquarters by the same architect. W. D. Lacey, county architect. General contractors: Sweeney & Palmer Ltd. Cost of supplies building: £44,324. Cost of fire headquarter building: £20,590.
- 10. Armagh Fire Station, Northern Ireland. The architects used stone, which is available on the site, to form panels in the walls of the new building. Architects: James Munce (Munce & Kennedy). General contractors: Messrs. Boyd Brothers, Dungannon, C. Tyrone. Contract price: £12,598.









**PUBLIC BUILDINGS** 







11. Nuffield House, Musgrave Park Hospital, Belfast. This new block is linked to the existing hospital and contains an experimental ward unit of 80 beds arranged on two floors, a twin operating theatre suite, a central sterile supply department (the first in Britain) and an X-ray department. Architects: Richard Llewelyn Davies and members of the research team of the Nuffield Foundation Division for Architectural Studies. Executive architects: Samuel Stevenson & Sons. General contractors: William Logan & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £195,000.

12. Dunfermline and West Fife Hospital, Casualty Block. Architect: John Holt (South-Eastern Regional Hospital Board, Scotland). General contractors: Alex. Fraser Ltd. Contract price: £98,000.

13. The Radiotherapeutic Institute, Western General Hospital, Edinburgh, was awarded the R.I.B.A. Bronze Medal for a building of outstanding merit completed in Scotland between 1950 and 1956. The scheme was illustrated in A. & B.N., July 30, 1958. Architect: John Holt (South-Eastern Regional Hospital Board, Scotland). General contractors: W. & J. R. Watson Ltd.

14. Office block for the technical department of the Sheffield Regional Hospital Board. Architect: E. F. Wilson (regional architect). General contractors: Vic Hallam (Contractors) Ltd. and Vic Hallam Ltd. Contract price: £23,282.

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15. All Saints Church Hall, Darlaston, has been added to the existing church which was built in 1951. The construction is of steel portal frames with brick end walls. Architects: Lavender, Twentyman & Percy. General contractor: Biddulph & Thrift Ltd. Contract price: £11,800.

16. West Wales General Hospital, Glangwili, Carmarthenshire. This is a 96-bed ward block which forms part of the first stage of this hospital's development. Architects: Sir Percy Thomas & Son. General contractors: E. Turner & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £400,000.

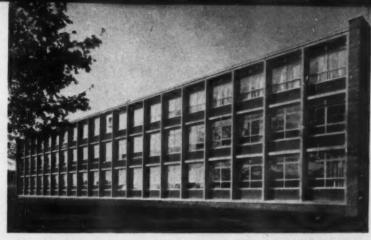
17. This health clinic, Portland, is similar to others being constructed in the county and caters for normal health services. Portland stone and Tyrolean rendered brickwork are used. Roof is of felt on Stramit and normal timber construction with a ceiling of thermal insulation. County architect: J. Hurst. General contractors: Theo. Conway Ltd. Contract price: £10,600.

18. Nurses' Home and Training School, Western General Hospital, Edinburgh. Architect: John Holt (South-Eastern Regional Hospital Board, Scotland). General contractors: none; individual trades. Cost: £56,000.

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19. Kiosks, Queen's Square, Crawley Town Centre, designed as four kiosks with lavatory accommodation. Also, a tobacconist and confectioner (two units), florist and taxi office. H. S. Howgrave-Graham, chief architect, Crawley Development Corporation. General contractors: James Longley. Contract price: approx. £4,500.

20. Public Convenience, The Boulevard, Crawley. H. S. Howgrave-Graham, chief architect, Crawley Development Corporation. General contractors: Y. J. Lovell & Son Ltd. Contract price: £5,000.







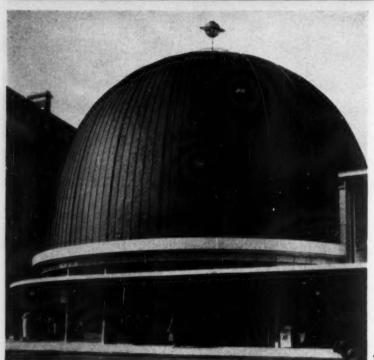












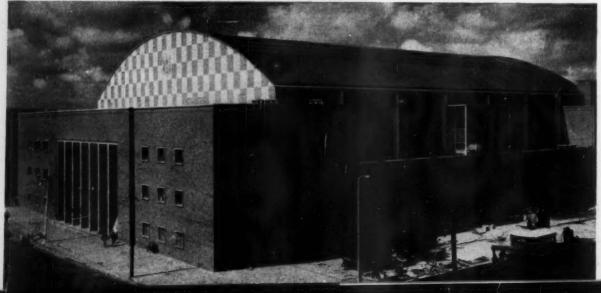
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21. The Belgrade Theatre, Coventry. Scheme includes six shops and 21 single-person flats for the theatre company. Designed by Arthur Ling. city architect and planning officer. Principal architect, Douglas Beaton. Group architect, Kenneth King. General contractors: George Wimpey & Co. Ltd. Approximate total contract price: £274,000.

22. The London Planetarium, London. Architect: George Watt. General contractors: A. J. Wait & Co. Ltd.

23. Wales Empire Pool, Cardiff. Plans prepared by E. C. Roberts, city surveyor, Cardiff. Sir Percy Thomas & Son advised on the design and treatment of the elevations. John Drybergh, city architect. Cardiff (appointed 1957), was responsible for the building. General contractors: Davies, Middleton & Davies Ltd. Contract price: £650,000.





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1. "The Mayflower", Leicester. This is a two-roomed public house in a newly developed part council and part private owned estate. It is planned for extension in due course. Construction is of load-bearing brick walls with local stone and rendered elevation. The roof is a timber monopitch. D. A. Gwillian, staff architect for Ansells Brewery Ltd. General contractors: Duxbury & Sons. Contract price: £20,000.

2. "St. Brides Tavern", London, the first unit in a scheme comprising offices, shops and a bank. Accommodation includes a ground-floor saloon lounge, first-floor lounge with snack bar and manager's flat. Architects: Shingler & Risdon. Architect-incharge: Peter Denney. Interior design was carried out in association with F. H. Field, of Watney Combe Reid & Co. Ltd. General contractors: John Mowlem & Co. Ltd.

3. "The Rhino", Derby. Threeroomed house with central corridor access to all three rooms. The lounge is normally closed during the week and open at week-ends to cope with the main trade. A large garden forms part of the overall scheme. Architect: William Blair. General contractors: Gee Walker & Slater Ltd.

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4. "The New Gog", London, comprises two bars, a luncheon room, offsales and crate store on the ground floor, and landlord's and staff accommodation on the first floor. Architects: Edward Armstrong & Frederick MacManus. General contractors: E. A. Roome & Barclay Co. Ltd. Contract price: £30,820.

5. "The Samuel Whitbread", Leicester Square, London. Architects: T. P. Bennett & Son. General contractors: Harry Neal Ltd.

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**PUBLIC HOUSES** 















### **SCHOOLS**

This year the range of school buildings chosen for the review covers a wider field than in previous years. The general standard of design continues to be high.

1. Hillside Infant School, Boreham Wood, for the Herts County Council, is built in Hills steel frame with precast concrete cladding, now almost traditional construction for schools in Herts. County architect: C. H. Aslin, C.B.E. General contractors: Francis Jackson Contractors Ltd., Uxbridge. Price: Approximately £41,450.

2. A Junior Occupation Centre at Chelmsford for Essex County Council. Has accommodation for about 68 handicapped boys and girls who are not able to attend normal school. County architect: H. Conolly, C.B.E. General contractors: P. E. Gowers Ltd., Chelmsford. Accepted tender price: approximately £20,000.

3. A two-floor classroom at Hutton Brookfield Junior School which adjoins a housing estate by Brentwood U.D.C. This is the second school to be erected on the same site for Essex County Council by their county architect. General contractors: Whyatt (Builders) Ltd., London. Cost: £47,877.



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4. The first instalment of Heymann Primary School for Nottinghamshire County Council. County architect: W. D. Lacey. General contractor: Sweeney & Palmer Ltd. Cost of first phase: £31,968.

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- 5. Church Cowley Primary School, Oxford, has a compact plan using assembly hall as circulation. E. G. Chandler, Oxford city architect and planning officer. Contractor: A. C. Carter (Oxford) Ltd. Contract sum: £38,800. Net cost per sq ft: 71/3.
- 6. Walderslade Secondary School for boys and girls, Chatham. Architects: Richard Sheppard, Robson & Partners. General contractors: G. E. Wallis & Sons Ltd. Approximate contract price: £320,000.
- 7. Junior mixed and infant school, Hitchin, for Herts County Council, by the county architect. General contractor: John Willmott & Sons (Hitchin) Ltd. Price: £44,500.

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- 8. Mickleover County Junior School for Derbyshire County Council. County architect: F. Hamer Crossley. General contractors: Vic Hallam (Contractors) Ltd. Contract price: £55,000.
- 9. Secondary Four-form Entry Technical School, Watford, for Herts County Council. County architect: C. H. Aslin, C.B.E. Contractor: Y. J. Lovell & Son Ltd. Price: £218,000.

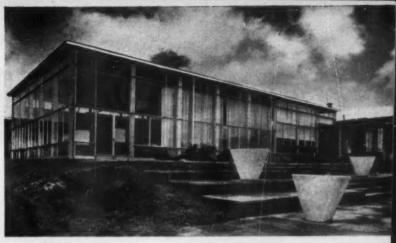
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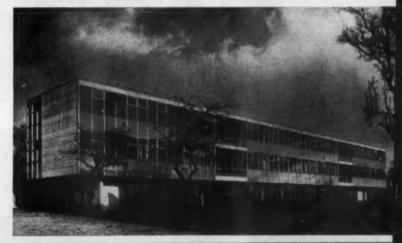
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- 10. T. P. Riley Secondary School, Bloxwich, for Walsall Education Committee. Architects: Richard Sheppard, Robson & Partners. General contractors: Sir Alfred Mc-Alpine & Son Ltd. Approximate contract price: £278,000.
- 11. Garrett Green Secondary School for 2,200 girls, Wandsworth, for the L.C.C. Architect to the council: Hubert Bennett. Schools architect: Michael Powell. Contractor: Tersons Ltd. Contract price: £652,749.

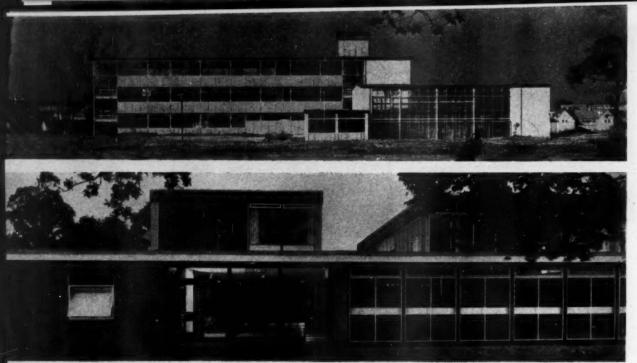












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### SECONDARY SCHOOLS

12. Falcon Lodge County Secondary School, Sutton Coldfield, for Warwickshire County Council. Architects: Surman, Kelly & Surman in association with G. R. Barnsley, county architect. Contractors: J. R. Deacon Ltd. Contract price: £90,000.

13. Warrenfield Four-form Entry Secondary Modern School for Bucks County Council. County architect: F. B. Pooley. Contractors: Janes (Builders) Ltd. Contract price: £153,438.

14. High Park Two-form Secondary Modern Mixed School for the Worcestershire County Council. Architects: Yorke, Rosenberg & Mardall. General contractors: McKeand Smith & Co. Ltd. Contract price: £103,110.

15. Moat Mount Four-form Entry Secondary Modern Mixed School, Hendon, for Middlesex County Council. County architect: C. G. Stillman. General contractors: William Moss & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £208,595.

16. Little Thurrock Torells Secondary Girls' School, for Essex County Council. Architects: Clifford Culpin in collaboration with H. Conolly, county architect. General contractors: Barvis Partners Ltd. Contract price: £140,000.

17. Burrington Secondary Modern School, for the City of Plymouth. City architect: H. J. W. Stirling. General contractors: The Godolphin Co. Ltd. Contract price: £108,670.





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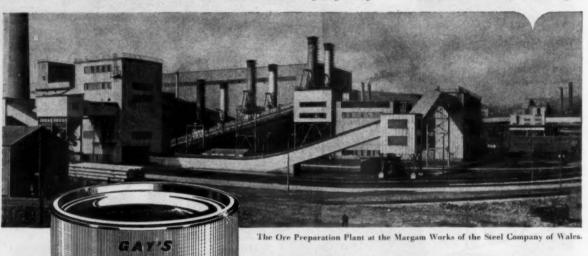
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18. Oswestry Secondary School, for 510 boys. Architects: Richard Sheppard, Robson & Partners. General contractors: Jenks (Builders) Ltd. Contract price: £143,000.

19. Science building for Bryanston School, Dorset, built in load-bearing brick and timber-framed panels, containing windows. Architects: Architects' Co-partnership. General contractors: D. Singleton & Son Ltd. Price: £65,000.

20. Edge Hill Secondary Modern School for 450 pupils. Architects: Willink & Dod. General contractors: Henry Boot & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £140,000.

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21. Ward End Hall Three-form Entry Modern Mixed School, for the city of Birmingham. City architect: A. G. Sheppard Fidler. Senior architect (schools): E. Mason. General contractors: George Wimpey & Co. Ltd. Contract price: £142,400.











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23. All Saints C.E. Secondary Modern Three-form Entry Mixed School, Weymouth, on a sloping site overlooking Portland Harbour, for the Dorset County Council. County architect: J. Hurst. General contractor: C. P. Unwin & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £142,600.

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24. Nightingale Three-form Entry Secondary Modern Mixed School, Wanstead, for the Essex County Council. Architects: Tooley & Foster in collaboration with H. Conolly, county architect. General contractors: J. & J. Dean (Contracts) Ltd. Contract price: £145,000.

25. Swanage County Modern Mixed School for 220 children, situated on a sloping site with the Purbeck Hills in the background. County architect: J. Hurst. General contractors: J. H. Wilson & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £105.500. Ltd. Contract price: £105,500.

26. Kingshurst High School, Tile Cross, Birmingham, for the Warwickshire County Council. Architects: Architects' Co-Partnership in collaboration with G. R. Barnsley, county architect. General contractors: C. Bryant & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £148,000.

27. St. Martin's C.E. Secondary School, West Drayton. Architects: Norman & Dawbarn. General con-tractors: J. M. Hill & Son Ltd. Contract price: £96,000.

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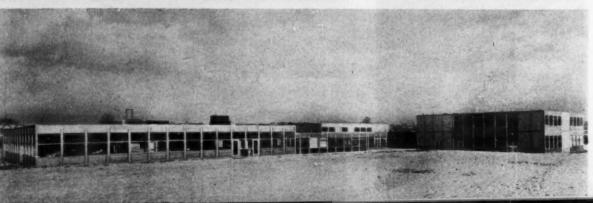
28. Wobaston Secondary Modern School, for Wolverhampton Borough











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Council. Architects: Lavender, Twentyman & Percy. General contractors: McKeand Smith & Co. Ltd. Contract price: £168,000.

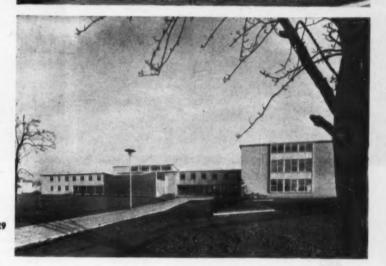
29. West Wythenshawe College of Further Education, Manchester. City architect, Leonard C. Howitt. General contractors: G. & J. Seddon Ltd. Contract price: £212,000.

30. East Berks College of Further Education, Maidenhead, for engineering subjects; with workshops, teaching rooms and assembly hall. County architect: J. T. Castle. General contractors: J. M. Jones & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £79,300.

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31. Science Block, Kent College, Canterbury. Architects: Edward D. Mills & Partners. General contractors: E. G. Pitcher Ltd. Contract price: £26,493.

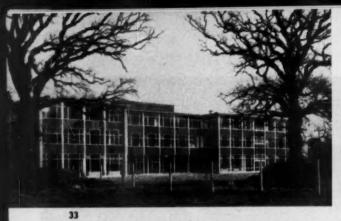
32. Stowe Hixon Secondary Modern School. Cladding is timber curtain walling and cedar boarding. Architects: Denis Clarke Hall in association with A. C. H. Stillman, Staffordshire county architect. General contractors: Green & Bird Ltd. Contract price: £110,000.



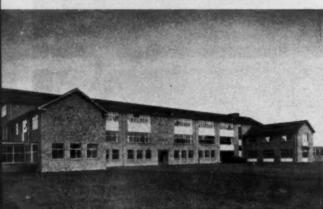














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33. A county high school for 612 girls, Colchester, designed for Essex County Council by the County Architect's Department. H. Conolly, county architect. General contractors: J. Moss & Son Ltd., Colchester. Cost: £161,000.

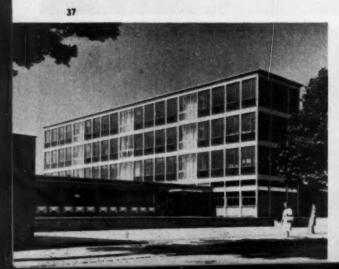
34. Tollington Secondary Grammar School, Hornsey, designed for the Middlesex County Council by the County Architect's Department. County architect: C. G. Stillman. Contractors: Walter Lawrence & Son Ltd.

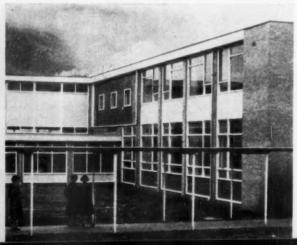
35. Girls' Grammar School, Didcot, for Berkshire County Council, designed by the County Architect's Department. J. T. Castle, county architect. General contractors: Frederick J. Minns & Co. Ltd. Contract price: £122,836.

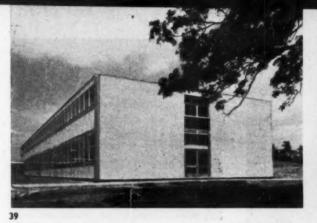
36. A new kitchen dining hall block for the governors of Highgate School, a public school of ancient foundation in Highgate Village. Architects: Oswald P. Milne and A. Underhill. General contractors: E. H. Burgess Ltd. Contract price: £60,000.

37. The Hewett School, Norwich, incorporates a gymnasium to Olympic standards. Designed by the City Architect's Department. David Percival, city architect. General contractors: Gilbert-Ash Ltd. Contract price: £200.236.

38. Maghull Grammar Technical School, a mixed school for 540 pupils.













Accommodation is provided in two teaching blocks linked by the administrative area and assembly hall. It has been designed for the Lancashire County Council by the County Architect's Department. G. Noel Hill, lately county architect. General contractors: W. Tomkinson & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £181,064.

39. Lady Lumley's School, Pickering, Yorkshire. A four-form entry grammar and modern school, which is being built in two stages. Architects: Gollins, Melvin, Ward & Partners. General contractors: F. Shepherd Ltd. Contract price £187,000.

40. The Moat House School, Basildon, for 120 educationally retarded pupils; includes facilities for wood-

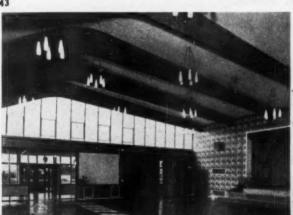
work and metalwork for boys, and cookery and needlecraft for girls. Designed for the Essex County Council by the County Architect's Department County architect: H. Conolly. General contractor: Barvis Partners Ltd. Contract price: £40,000.

41. A high school at Shipston-on-Stour, designed by architects, Surman, Kelly & Surman in association with G. R. Barnsley, Warwickshire county architect. General contractors: Wheeler & Mansell Ltd. Contract price: £99,346.

42. Ecclesbourne Two-form Entry Grammar School, Duffield, for the Derbyshire County Council is planned in four single-storey blocks. It has been designed by the County Architect's Department. F. Hamer Crossley, county architect. General contractors: J. H. Fryer Ltd. Contract price: £128,000.

43. An interior view of the assembly hall for Westgate County Secondary School, Cippenham, for Bucks County Council, designed by the County Architect's Department. F. B. Pooley, county architect. General contractors: J. M. Jones & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £141,674.

44. Main elevation of the assembly hall for Penn Street C.E. School, for the Bucks County Council, designed by the County Architect's Department. F. B. Pooley, county architect. General contractors: A. G. Simmons (Builders) Ltd. Contract price: £9,998.











TECHNICAL SCHOOLS



45. Departments of Science, Metallurgy and Engineering at Newport Technical College. Architects: Sir Percy Thomas & Son. General contractors: The Demolition and Construction Co. Ltd. Contract price: £400.000.

46. The second instalment of the College of Technology, Oxford. Architect: E. G. Chandler, city architect and planning officer. General contractors: Lavender, McMillan (Contractors) Ltd. Contract price: £329,298.

47. Salford College of Advanced Technology for Lancashire County Council, designed in two phases for 2,788 students. Contract price for both phases £1,050,543. Architect to the governors: G. Noel Hill (lately county architect). General contractors: John Turner & Sons (Preston) Ltd.

48. Preston Science School Extension, Malvern College. Architects: Hammett & Norton. General contractors: Thomas Broad Ltd. Contract price: £18,500.

49. Slough Secondary Technical School, built in 15 months for the Bucks County Council. County architect: F. B. Pooley. General contractors: Y. J. Lovell & Son Ltd. Contract price: £264,591.

50. Additions to existing premises for Technical High School, Portsmouth. City architect: F. Mellor. General contractors: John Hunt Ltd. Contract price: £200,000.



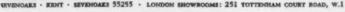




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- 2. Broad Walk, the main shopping street, Harlow New Town. Consultant architect and town planner to the Development Corporation, Frederick Gibberd, executive architect, Victor Hamnett. Shops on right designed by J. Seymour Harris & Partners, General contractors: Sir Robert McAlpine & Son Ltd.

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- 3. Part of the Pedestrian Way in the town centre, Bracknell. The way is flanked by single-storey shops, which are individually designed by the lessees and to the Corporation's approval. Chief architect to the Development Corporation: E. A. Ferriby. General contractor: The Bunting Construction Co. Ltd. Contract price: £110.828.
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- 5. Coventry Market which is designed with a car park over. City architect/planning officer: A. G. Ling. General contractors: William Moss & Sons Ltd. Contract price: £385,000.







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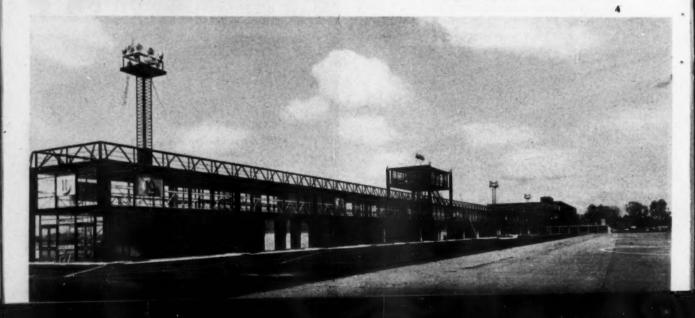
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3. Whitland Station, 13 miles from Carmarthen, on the main line between Paddington and Fishguard, serves an important dairy-farming area. Designed and supervised by H. E. B. Cavanagh, Western Regional Architect, under the direction of M. G. R. Smith, Chief Civil Engineer, Western Region, British Railways. General contractors: Bennett Bros. Ltd., Swansea.

4. Gatwick Airport, Sussex, was illustrated in A. & B.N., June 25, 1958. Architects: Yorke, Rosenberg & Mardall. Consulting engineers: Frederick S. Snow & Partners. General contractors: Gilbert-Ash Ltd. Contract price: £7,500,000.





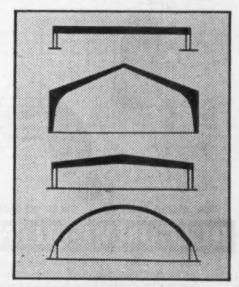
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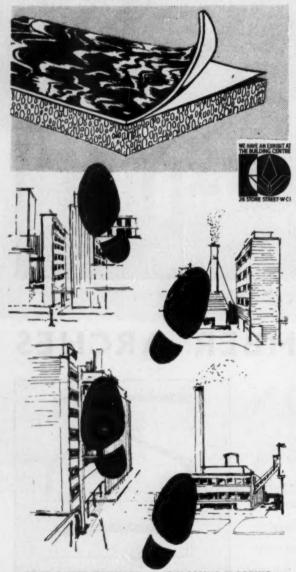


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By F. H. B. LAYFIELD

THE most remarkable thing about legislation in 1958 was that though important Acts were fairly few in number they represented radical changes in policy and administration. The *Rent Act, 1957*, dominated the scene because while it was passed in the previous year its full effect only began on October 6, 1958. Moreover, the Landlord and Tenant (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1958, made an important contribution to the transition from old law to new. The consolidation of housing law was, in theory, completed by the passage of the *Housing* (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958. Several steps were taken to implement the Franks Committee recommendations, in particular by Tribunals and Inquiries Act, 1958, which came into effect on the first of this month. Major changes in local government and its administration were heralded by the passing of the Local Government Act, 1958. Anticipating this year's legislation, two Bills which are likely to be important have been introduced, namely, the House Purchase and Housing Bill, intended to put the Government proposals for purchase of small houses into effect, and the Landlord and Tenant (Furniture and Fittings) Bill. The latter is a Private Member's Bill introduced by Mr. Mawby, M.P., and is designed to help to kill the racket in premiums and key money. Another major change in policy was embodied in the *Town and Country Planning Bill* designed to provide a new basis for compensation for compulsory purchase of land.

Those children of Statute, Regulations, have as usual made their appearance in generous numbers. Many of them have been concerned with the establishment of the new Local Government Commission and with the intro-duction of the new Local Government Grants. One set, the Thermal Insulation (Industrial Buildings) Regulations, 1958, was of direct importance to architects and builders. Equally important were changes in the building regulations.

### Buildings

Several alterations to existing requirements were made by the Building (Safety, Health and Welfare) (Amendment) Regulations, 1958. These changes related to the stability and use of lifting appliances, the use of cranes, safe working loads for cranes and various signals used in that connection.

The parent regulations were considered in one of several interesting building cases in the year. Bailey v. Ayr Engineering, etc., Co. and Another was concerned with regulation 90. There were two defendants, the first were the workman's employers and the second were another firm who were working on the building at the time of the workman's accident. The employees of the latter firm accidentally dislodged some masonry and this fell down a shaft injuring the plaintiff who was working there. It was admitted the second defendants were liable, but the further question was: should the injured man's employers have erected protection for him against "falling material"

Regulation 90 is designed to protect men, working at sites where men habitually do work, from what I may call falling materials and debris of that kind (i.e., waste materials, flying debris, etc.) and not from a collapse of the structure, whether it be a chimney, a roof, or (as in this case) part of a shaft. At the same time it seems to me that if, in fact, this plaintiff had been hit by a hammer or a loose brick falling down the shaft, the first defendants [his employers] would have been liable to him

in that they were in breach of that regulation. According . . . this is a case where they cannot say they were not in breach of the regulation at all, because it was their duty to take steps to put up some umbrella, albeit an umbrella designed to prevent materials and debris and tools from falling down. But be that as it may ... it was not the breach which caused the injuries in this case, but the fact that this block of masonry, something which is completely outside the regulations, fell in the way I have described.'

Another important building case last year was that of Gold v Patman and Fotheringham. In that case the building contractors undertook work under an R.I.B.A. contract. In the course of the work the contractors carried out certain piling operations on the instructions of the owner and his architect and this caused subsidence of adjoining properties. The building owner in due course, naturally, received a claim for damage from those whose properties had been damaged. The owner maintained that the contractors were in breach of contract because, though they had insured themselves against any such claims from adjoining owners they had failed to insure him against such claims and he said they were required by the contract to do so.

The Court rejected the owner's claim and said that they considered that

'There is a contrast [in the R.I.B.A, contract] between policies in which the contractor is insuring himself, no doubt for the additional security of the owner, and cases where the contractor is insuring in the joint names of the owner and himself. Thus when the contract requires the owner [described in the contract as the employer] to be insured by the contractor it is expressly so provided

Accordingly, if an employer, owner or architect desires the contractor to insure both employer and contractor he may be well advised to require insurance in their joint names with a company approved by the architect. More-over, the court pointed out that in such cases it is also usual for the contractor to be required to deposit the policies and premium receipts with the architect.

### Housing

Apart from the legislative changes already mentioned, alterations in inquiry procedure have been the main feature of the year. In February last the Minister of Housing issued Circular 9/58 in which he outlined changes it was proposed forthwith to introduce as a result of the Franks Committee recommendations. The new procedure applied to clearance and compulsory purchase orders made under the Housing Acts. There were three main improvements thereby introduced. These were:

(a) a requirement that the local authority concerned supply the parties affected with a clear statement of the

authority's case;

(b) a limited but important right to insist on the presence of a witness from any Government department which expresses positive views on the subject matter of the inquiry; and, lastly,

(c) a right to have a copy of the inspector's report. In two cases during last year differential rent schemes introduced by local authorities were discussed. In Batharon R.D.C. v Carlile the Courts applied the general law to a review of rents carried out by the R.D.C. under their Housing Act powers. The Court held that such a review

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does not make a tenant liable thereby for an increased rent. In the case of periodic tenancies (e.g., from week to week) the right of the tenant is to enter into and remain in occupation until he receives notice to quit, and until the landlord does something positive to exercise his right to end the tenancy the original tenancy continues unaltered. The Court said that there was nothing in the Housing Acts which empowered a local authority to override the normal rights and obligations of the parties under their contract. The local authority's powers could only be exercised in accordance with the general law of the land: that required an existing tenancy to be lawfully and properly ended by a notice to quit before a new tenancy at a higher rent could be created.

Somewhat similar views were expressed in Havant and Waterloo U.D.C. v Norum. The facts in the case were fairy complex but it was interesting mainly for the

observations of Lord Evershed, who said,

"It would, at best, need extremely clear and strong language to enable a landlord ex post facto, and without the tenant's assent, to alter the rent or contractual sum in consideration of which the tenant was entitled to

enjoy the premises. . Local authorities may, however, find some comfort in the judgment of the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Parker, in Goddard v Minister of Housing and Local Government. The Brentford and Chiswick Borough Council had de-clared two clearance areas. The council, at that time, had before them the reports of the housing and finance committees and they passed a resolution adopting the reports as minutes. In due course, five compulsory purchase orders were made, and confirmed by the Minister. The appellant challenged these orders on the ground that the council had not taken proper steps (under Section 42 of the Housing Act, 1957) to satisfy itself that its re-

sources were sufficient to carry the resolution into effect.

Examining the question whether the financial aspect had been properly considered Lord Parker observed:
"The chairman of the Housing Committee said that

it was considered by that committee, and that the council, in passing the resolution, were so advised. True, they may not have had specific figures, but it is very difficult to believe that they could have specific figures with any accuracy. Nobody knows what the compensation payable is going to amount to, especially when one considers questions such as disturbance; and even if redevelopment costs are going to be considered nobody knows what they are likely to be in this era of rising prices.

"It seems to me that it is perfectly competent for a council, without having specific figures, but with the assistance of its experts, to say: this, quite clearly from our own knowledge, is a matter which plainly comes within the resources of this council; and the resources there clearly mean not merely cash resources, but their credit in the world, their ability to borrow, and all such

matters.

Consequently the council and the minister were upheld.

# Local Government

There are many pitfalls for local councillors but one which is likely to come more frequently to mind. since Rands v Oldroyd was decided, is that of speaking or voting where they may have an interest in the subject matter. Mr. Rands was a councillor and was also the managing director of a local building firm. His firm had, in the past, undertaken contracts for the council, but had submitted no tender since 1954. In 1956, because of his position on the council, Mr. Rands had decided that his firm would not in future tender for council work and they had not done so. The council in September, 1957, discussed expanding the borough engineer's departmental staff so as to enable him himself to tender for council work in competition with outside firms. Mr. Rands spoke against the proposal pointing out certain difficulties and he voted in favour of an amended resolution authorizing the engineer to carry on as before.

The court held that Mr. Rands had committed an

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offence under S.76 of the Local Government Act, 1933. He was held to have had an indirect pecuniary interest in the matter, because though his company had decided not to tender, it could at any time reverse its decision and should it do so, it would be in competition with the Borough Engineer and hence had an interest in the matter. The court pointed out that though a technical offence had been committed the councillor concerned had behaved in

an open and honourable manner.

One-way streets are fashionable in these days and local authorities often think to ease traffic congestion by creating such streets. To do so an order is normally made by the Minister of Transport under Section 46 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930, on the application of the local authority concerned. Poole Corporation made such an application and were refused. They thereafter made an order of their own, intended to last for six months, under Section 21 of the Town Police Clauses Act, 1847. That section authorizes such orders to be made

"In all times of public processions, rejoicing or illuminations, and in any case when the streets are thronged or

liable to be obstructed. . . .

Owners of property on the route objected and hence the case of Brownsea Haven Properties Ltd. v Poole Corporation. The Court of Appeal held that this section could not be used to justify a six months' order. Lord

Justice Ormerod said:

"Public processions, rejoicing or illuminations may well be cases when the police require to have powers to regulate the traffic, for the very good reason that they are cases when the streets are liable to be thronged and obstructed. In my view the type of case with which the section is intended to deal is something in the nature of an occasion when the streets, for reasons other than the normal day-to-day usage, are liable to contain more than the usual amount of traffic. Such an occasion might well, of course, last more than a single day, but could not, in my view, be held to cover a substantial part of the year when the press of traffic, though heavy and liable from time to time, is due to no more unusual a cause than the advent of summer.'

Leave has been given to appeal to the House of Lords.

# Town and Country Planning

The year past has seen several important decisions on the Planning Acts. Probably the most significant and certainly the most publicized has been the case of the Egham caravanners. The facts of that case are too well known to need extensive repetition but, in a nutshell, land was repeatedly used to station caravans without any grant of planning permission. In an endeavour to plug the numerous and unfortunate holes in enforcement procedure the Attorney-General was induced to seek for an injunction to restrain the defendants in Attorney-General v Smith from using land in the Egham U.D.C. without previous planning permission.

Speaking of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1949,

Lord Goddard said

"It is obviously an Act which is designed for the public good and can be used for great public advantage. There-fore if a defendant shows by his conduct that he intends to avoid the Act and act in breach of it so far as he can and for as long as he can, then the Attorney-General is entitled to an injunction."

Referring to the course of conduct pursued by these

defendants he continued

That shows an intention by the defendants, who have heen refused planning permission time and time again, to act in defiance of the Town and Country Act, and to use its machinery not for the purpose of making genuine applications for permission but for the purposes of delay In the first instance [i.e., on the first occasion] I would

not say that the first defendant was not perfectly entitled to appeal to the minister but when he got the result of the appeal the defendant knew quite well that the minister was upholding the policy which the council were evidently following-that is to say, not to permit the use of land for caravans within that area because it was in the Green Belt. The minister upheld that policy and yet the defendants went on in this way.

"I think, therefore, that this is a case in which I have jurisdiction to grant an injunction; and if I have such jurisdiction I most certainly, as a matter of discretion, will grant it."

Two cases which were decided against local planning authorities deserve mention. The first of these was Hamilton v West Sussex County Council. The planning authority here granted outline permission on an application con-cerning land at "Court Farm" being "part of approxi-mately 40 acres". The application was accompanied by a plan which showed an outline of a cottage with a path leading to it from a private road and marked "new re-placement cottage here". The permission was subject to certain minor reservations. About 18 months later detailed application was made. This asked for permission to erect a cottage and garage in accordance with detailed plans that were attached and which showed the new cottage on a site about 400 yards from that shown on the outine application and with a curved gravel path leading from the cottage to the private road. The authority refused permission, saying it was contrary to the planning proposals for the area. The owner claimed that the outline permission was valid and as no reference had been made to the limitations originally mentioned the plan should be deemed to have been approved. The authority alleged that the application was an entirely fresh one and had been considered and rejected on its merits.

Mr. Justice Donavan held that the land, the subject of the original application and grant, included the whole of Court Farm and not merely the land on which the replacement cottage had originally been sited. It followed that the second application was not a fresh one and therefore the authority's reasons for refusal could not be sustained. He said that as the local planning authority had considered the matters reserved in the outline permission and apparently found nothing valid to which to object they were not entitled now to consider them again (which they asked to be allowed to do) and the plaintiff

was entitled to proceed.

The Ministry of Town and Country Planning, as it then was, advised local authorities in Circular 62 of 1948 that when permission was given for houses for agricultural workers it might be desirable to impose a condition limiting occupation to members of the agricultural population. A suggested wording was given.

In Buckinghamshire they appeared to have acted upon that advice for they imposed on the grant of permission for certain houses a condition worded in similar terms. The validity of the condition was tested in Fawcett Properties Limited v Buckinghamshire County Council.

The condition read

"The occupation of the house shall be limited to persons whose employment or latest employment is or was employment in agriculture as defined by Section 119(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, or in forestry, or in an industry mainly dependent upon agriculture and including also the dependants of such persons aforesaid."

Mr. Justice Roxburgh considered that the prescribed categories of permissible occupants under this condition were so wide and would involve such extensive inquiry as to their extent as to make the condition far wider than anything which could properly be related to local planning and hence the condition was ultra vires and of no effect. The word "local" is important because the Judge remarked that the condition might well cover persons retired from agriculture in any part of the Commonwealth; that, he said, might seem "very unfair on persons now residing in Chalfont St. Giles who are not engaged in any of the permitted occupations".

# A Crowded Time

Speaking of the condition, the Judge concluded that "It is almost impossible to imagine any town planning purpose to which it can be related, and if it can be so related, it is, in my judgment, grossly unfair to expect the landlord and his potential tenants of this cottage to trouble over a problem of that complexity and magnitude."

As with housing so the major change during the year in the field of planning has been the improvements in procedure introduced by Circular 9/58. That circular applied only to inquiries but similar improvements in Development Plan procedure were the subject of Circular 51/58 which was published in September. The new towns were also under discussion in the year. The New Towns Act, 1958, authorized an increase in the amount of money that the Treasury might advance to development corporations up to £300 million. Also during the year the Minister of Housing indicated the Government's intention to transfer the assets of new towns, on completion, to a new body formed for that purpose.

Finally, foreshadowing the current year, the last session saw the introduction of the new Town and Country Planning Bill. The main provision of the Bill is that in future, very broadly speaking, market values will be paid for land compulsorily acquired by public authorities. This arrangement is in effect to come into force as from October 29 last. In Circular 58/58 the Ministry of Housing have given guidance on the course to be followed where sales of land take place between that date and the time when the Bill becomes law. The Bill also contains a number of miscellaneous provisions, one of which will give a limited right of appeal to the courts on points of law from planning appeals.

# Occupier's Liabilities

As usual the year has seen a good many decisions which deal with the liability of occupiers for the safety ot visitors to, and employees on, their premises. The few can have been more unusual and entertaining than Sayers we Harlow U.D.C. This council, vicariously of course, locked the plaintiff in a cubicle in one of their public lavatories. She, not unreasonably, made efforts to escape and in her attempts she placed her foot upon that unstable article, a toilet roll, described by the court as "a fixture of a somewhat slender kind". As a result she fell and was injured; she sued the council for damages. The Court agreed that council were in breach of their duty of care owed to her; the only question was whether the damage was a reasonable and natural consequence of the wrongful act or omission.

The Court thought the inconvenience of being incarcerated in a lavatory to be appreciable, and that she acted quite reasonably in attempting to escape but it also thought that she had been guilty of some contributory negligence in the manner in which she carried out that operation and held the council to be liable for three-quarters of the damage.

An argument of a somewhat different kind arose in Wells v Cooper. The defendant was the owner of a house and an amateur carpenter of some experience. Some months before the case he fitted a new door handle to his back door. As it happened the screws he used were too short but he did not know this. Later on, the fishmonger, making a delivery at the house, came into the house for a cup of tea. On leaving he pulled the door to by its handle which came off in his hand, he overbalanced, fell and injured himself.

The fishmonger sued the defendant for the breach of his duty of care due to those on his premises. The Court of Appeal agreed that a duty of care was owed. They thought that the defendant was entitled to undertake such

trifling domestic replacements, as he was a competent amateur carpenter and, provided he showed reasonable skill in so doing, then he properly discharged his duty. However, the Court was at pains to point out that the degree of skill needed by the householder was not that of a professional carpenter, as the latter's work was to be judged by a higher standard. There was, it was said, no need for a householder to employ a professional to do such simple jobs, but

"No doubt some kinds of work involve such highly specialized skill and knowledge, and create such serious dangers if not properly done, that an ordinary occupier owing a duty of care to others in regard to the safety of premises would fail in that duty if he undertook such work himself instead of employing experts to do it for him."

The question then arises, suppose the occupier does engage qualified people to do work and danger still results, is the occupier liable? This was the problem in *Green v Fibre Glass Ltd.*, where a person properly on the defendant's premises was severely burned. The burns were due to faulty wiring of an electric switch. The occupiers had employed reputable expert electrical contractors and had no reason to suppose that there was anything wrong. Mr. Justice Salmon pointed out that an occupier's duty "is an obligation imposed by law to take reasonable care". Each case must be examined to see if that has been done, but.

"If as in the present case...some act is to be performed which calls for special knowledge and experience which the invitor cannot be expected to possess then, in my judgment, he fulfils his duty of care as a prudent man by employing a qualified and reputable expert to do the act."

It should be noted that expert was an independent contractor; if the work is done by a servant then the occupier, as his employer, will normally be liable for his servant's acts or negligence.

Two other cases of great importance in this field were considered during the year, namely, Davie v New Marton Board Mills and Walsh v Holst and Co. Ltd. Each of these concerned the duty of care, but as each is to go to the House of Lords it will be sufficient merely to mention them at this stage.

Lifts are such a common feature of modern buildings that  $Blakely \ v \ C$  and  $H \ Clothing \ Co$ . is of unusual interest. The plaintiff was about 15 years old and was employed by a firm who occupied two floors of a three-storey building. There was a lift which was under the control of the building owners and was supplied for the use of the occupier's workman. One day, the plaintiff, having used the lift in the course of his employment, left it and shut the gates. Thinking that the inner gate was not shut he put his hand through the outer gate in order to reach the inner gate and close it properly. As he did so the lift moved and injured his hand, which was subsequently amputated.

The Judge held that the employers were blameless. The building owners he considered were not in breach of their common law duty but were in breach of their statutory duty under the Factories Act, 1937. Section 22 of that Act imposes an absolute obligation to provide the lift with gates of a character which, when shut, would prevent people from coming into contact with the lift when moving. The Judge thought the boy was one-third to blame for the accident and therefore gave judgment against the building owners for £3,300.

# Restrictive Trade Practices

Finally, during the year the Restrictive Practices Court has come to life and has heard two cases, namely, that of Re Chemists' Federation Agreement and Yarn Spinners' Association Agreement. The judgment in the latter case is still to be delivered. Seven more cases have had hearing dates fixed and the Courts list is now full until well into June.



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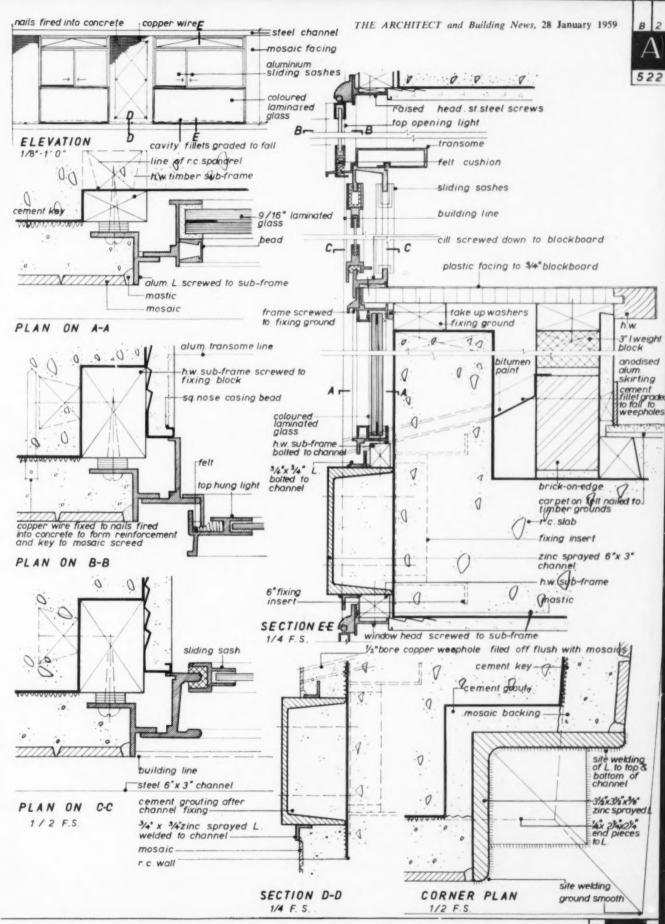
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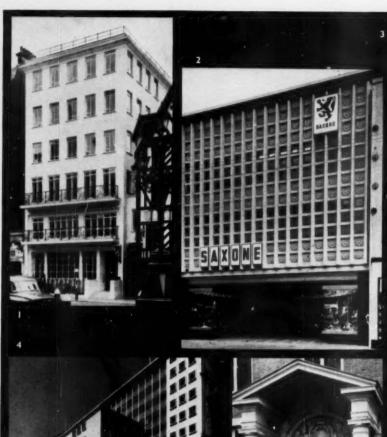
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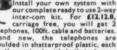
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ALDERSHOT. Erection of All Hallows R.C. Secondary School, Aldershot, for The Portsmouth Roman Catholic Diocesan Trustees. (b) Messrs. Goodhart-Rendel, Broadbent & Curtis, 22 White-hall, London, S.W.I. (c) 2gn. (d) January 30.

BIRKENHEAD B.C. (a) Alterations and additions to Park High School for Girls, Park Road South, Birkenhead. (b) Mr. Donald Bradshaw, Queen Insurance Buildings, Dale Street, Liverpool, 2. (c) 2gn. (e) February 11.

BIRMINGHAM C.C. Contract No. 675. (a) Firm price tenders for the erection of 22 shops with 31 dwellings over, Meadway, Kent Moat estate. (b) City Architect, Civic Centre, Birmingham, I. (c) 2gn. (d) January 30. (e) March 2.

BLYTH B.C. (a) 22 flats and maisonnettes at Delaval Terrace, Housing Scheme 33. (b) Borough Engineer, Municipal Buildings, Seaforth Street, Blyth. (c) 2gn. (e) February 16.

BRADFORD C.C. (a) 75 dwellings and ten garages with necessary site works at The Bank, Thorpe Edge estate, Bradford, (b) City Engineer and Surveyor, Town Hall, Bradford. (c) 3gn. (e) February 10.

BRISTOL C.C. (a) Provision of cloaks. rest room and changing accommodation at Hannah More Secondary School. (b) Chief Education Officer, College Green, Bristol, 1. (c) 1gn.

BUCKS C.C. (a) Conversion of existing fire station into county branch library at Stony Stratford. (b) County Architect, County Offices, Aylesbury. (e) Febru-

CARDIGANSHIRE C.C. (a) (i) Erection of a new old people's home at Lampeter; (ii) extensions to the County Hall at Aberayron; (iii) extensions to Ardwyn Grammar School, Aberystwyth (new laboratories); and (iv) conversion of "Bryntirion" Tregaron, into a hospital for the chronic sick (b) County Archive for the chronic sick. (b) County Architect, County Hall, Aberayron, Cards. (c) 2gn each project. (e) February 23.

CHELMSFORD B.C. (a) New municipal offices, Council Chamber and assembly hall, (b) Town Clerk, Municipal Offices, Duke Street, Chelmsford, to be considered for inclusion in a selected list of experience of work executed of this nature and names of architects or others from whom references can be obtained. (d) February 9.

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DARLINGTON B.C. (a) 38 houses on Firth Moor site (stage 11). (b) Borough Architect, Central Buildings, Darlington, Durham. (c) Ign. (e) February 5.

DARLINGTON B.C. (a) 18 old people's dwellings—two at Nickstream Lane site, eight at Branksome site, four at Firth Moor site and four at Haughton North site. (b) Borough Architect, Central Buildings, Darlington, Co. Durham. (c) Ign. (e) February 5.

**DEVON** C.C. (a) Erection of kitchen, stores, cloakrooms and lavatory accommodation at Chudleigh C.E. School. (b) County Architect, 97 Heavitree Road, Exeter. (c) 2gn, by cheque, payable to council.

DORKING U.C. (a) Fixed price tenders for 24 flats on the Goodwyns estate. (b) Council's Clerk, Council Offices, Pippbrook, Dorking, Surrey, together with particulars of similar works previously undertaken, and names of architects from whom references may be obtained. (c) £2, from firms selected to tender. (d) February 13.

ENFIELD B.C. (a) 30 flats in three three-storey blocks at Lancaster Road. (b) Borough Engineer, 7 Little Park Gardens, Enfield. (c) 2gn. (d) February 4. (e) March 3.

ESSEX C.C. (a) (i) Alterations and additions at Frinton Primary School, estimated to cost £8,250; (ii) alterations and additions at Sible Hedingham C.E. School, estimated to cost £8,500; (iii) erection of Chelmsford Melbourne Park health services clinic, estimated to cost £10,000; (iv) new craft block at Colchester Royal Grammar School, estimated to cost £20,000; and (v) two additional classrooms, etc., at Rettendon Primary School, estimated to cost £6,000. (b) County Architect, County Hall, Chelmsford. (d) January 31.

HEXHAM R.C. (a) Construction of new Council Chambers, etc., with alterations to and extensions of the adjoining Council Offices at Prospect House, Hexham. (b) Council's Clerk, Prospect House, Hexham, within the next three weeks. HOLLAND C.C. (a) (i) Old people's home at Holbeach, Lincs; (ii) three-class primary school and ancillary accommodation on Woad Farm estate, Boston; and (iii) two additional classrooms at the girls' high school, Boston. (b) County Architect, County Hall, Boston, Lincs, stating in which contract interested. (e) (i) February 27; (ii) February 17; and (iii) February 9.

LETCHWORTH U.C. (a) 160 houses, 46 garages and 78 garages, together with the construction of roads and sewers at Grange estate, stage VI. (b) Council's Clerk, Council House, Letchworth, Herts, in writing, to be considered for inclusion in a list of selected contractors. (d) January 31.

LIVERPOOL C.C. (a) Erection of (i) additional classrooms, Quarry Bank High School, Liverpool, 18; (ii) extensions, Fazakerley Secondary Modern School, Liverpool, 10; and (iii) Sandfield Park Special School. (b) City Architect and Director of Housing, Blackburn Chambers, Dale Street, Kingsway, Liverpool, 2. (c) 2gn each contract, payable to City Treasurer. (e) February 6.

LONDON—GREENWICH B.C. (a) 18 maisonnettes, ten garages and external works on Shooter's Hill Road/Rochester Way site. (b) Town Clerk, Town Hall, Greenwich, S.E.10, with particulars of recent works executed by applicant. (d) February 2.

LONDON—STEPNEY B.C. (a) 32 houses in five blocks at Sidney Street housing scheme. (b) Messrs. Sydney Clough, Son & Partners, 39 Devonshire Street, W.1. (c) 10gn. (e) March 3.

LONDON—STEPNEY B.C. (a) One block of 12 dwellings and one block of 45 dwellings at Spital Street housing scheme. (b) Borough Engineer and Surveyor, Municipal Offices, 227/233 Commercial Road, E.1. (c) 10gn. (e) February 23.

LONDON—WALTHAMSTOW B.C. (a) 20 flats and 17 maisonnettes in a four-storey block together with a block of seven garages on site of 16 and 18 Prospect Hill, Walthamstow, E.17. (b) Borough Architect, Engineer and Surveyor, Town Hall, Walthamstow, E.17. (c) 2gn. (e) February 13.

MANCHESTER C.C. (a) Alterations and additions at "The Grange", Wilmslow Road, Withington. (b) City Architect, P.O. Box 488, Town Hall, Manchester. (e) February 11.

MANCHESTER C.C. (a) Alterations and improvements to lecture hall at Platt Hall, Rusholme. (b) City Architect, P.O. Box 488, Town Hall, Manchester. (e) February 11.

MERTHYR TYDFIL B.C. (a) Erection of stage one of new omnibus garage, comprising new administration building, two storey with basement, footpaths, yards, underground fuel tanks, chassis and body cleaning bays and all services and drains, adaptation of an existing hangar as a garage for 60 buses and tyre store. (b) Town Clerk, Town Hall, Merthyr Tydfil. (c) 3gn (cheques payable to Corporation). (d) February 9.

NEWBURY AND HUNGERFORD JOINT SLAUGHTERHOUSE COM-MITTEE. (a) Erection of a public slaughterhouse with a throughput of about 12,000 cattle units per annum. (b) Hon. Secretary of the Committee, Municipal Buildings, Newbury, Berks.

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE C.C. (a) Erection of the first stage of the St. Mary Magdalene Hospital, comprising 16 single-storey dwellings, two two-storey dwellings, sick bay, kitchen and laundry at Claremont Road, Newcastle upon Tyne. (b) Messrs. Geo. H. Gray & Partners, 8 Portland Terrace, Newcastle upon Tyne, 2, in writing. (d) January 31. (e) February 28.

N. IRELAND—ANTRIM C.C. (a) Construction of carriageway on the Belfast-Larne road. (b) County Surveyor's Office, County Courthouse, Crumlin Road, Belfast. (c) 5gn. (e) February 10.

N. IRELAND—ANTRIM E.C. (a) Proposed additions and alterations to Straidbilly Primary School, Dervock, Co. Antrim. (b) Education Office, 475-477 Antrim Road, Belfast. (c) £5. (e) February 13.

N. IRELAND—DOWN C.E.C. (a) Piling and pile caps at the new grammar school, Newtownards. (b) Messrs. W. D. R. & R. T. Taggart, 13 College Gardens, Belfast. (c) 5gn. (e) February 5.

N. IRELAND—ELECTRICITY BOARD. (a) Supply, delivery and erection at Coolkeeragh power station, Londonderry, of air compressing equipment for (i) General service, (ii) Oil fuel purging. (b) Tender documents in quadruplicate from Messrs. Kennedy & Donkin, 64 Royal Exchange, Manchester, 2. (c) 5gn (cheques payable to the Electricity Board for Northern Ireland). (e) February 24.



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N. IRELAND—MINISTRY OF FIN-ANCE. (a) Erection of five cottages, etc., at Ballentempo Forestry Centre, Co. Fermanagh. (b) Room 103, Law Courts Building, Belfast. (c) £2. (e) February 10.

N. IRELAND—MINISTRY OF FIN-ANCE. (a) Erection of training centre at Knockmore, Lisburn, Co. Antrim. (b) Room 103, Law Courts Building, Belfast. (c) £2. (e) February 10.

NORTH RIDING E.C. (a) Alterations and extensions to Northallerton Grammar School. (b) J. Leathart & Son, 49 Welbeck Street, London, W.1, or F. Barraclough, County Hall, Northallerton. (e) February 13.

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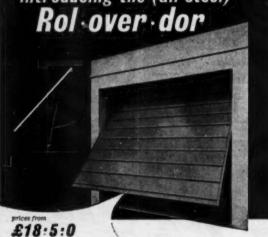
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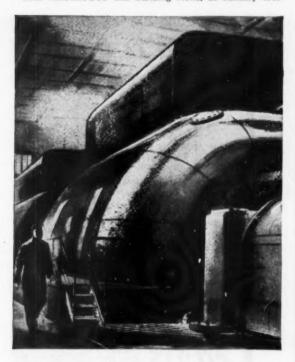
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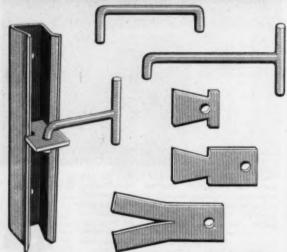
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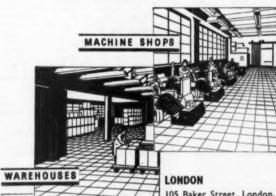


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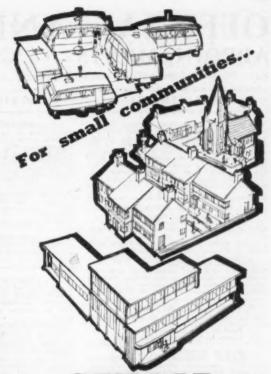
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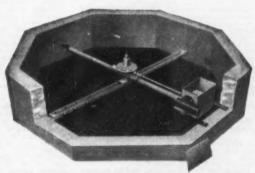
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January 28, 1959.

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Architect's Department
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County Architect's Department
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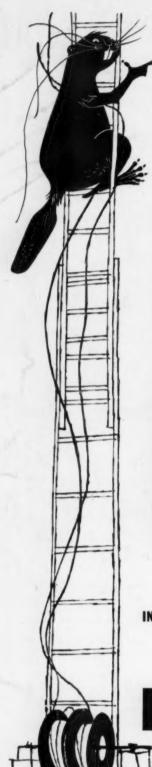
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